

SAINT CHARLES' PRIMARY & LCR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



We are into Term 2 already. How time flies when you're having fun! This term we will have lots of opportunities for Family Learning; look out for details coming soon.

We will be having our first 'face to face' **Parents' Evening** in over 2 years this month. Mrs Hart will send out the booking link so that parents can book their appointments; please take this opportunity to come in to discuss your child's progress so far this year. The School Leadership Team will also be on hand on the night to answer any questions you may have.

We are also excited that we will be able to invite families into school for our **Christmas Show** and Infant **Nativity Play** back in school. We're delighted to be able to have a live audience again. The Senior School Christmas Show will take place on Thursday 8th and Friday 9th December and the Infant Nativity will be on Thursday 15th and Friday 16th December

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Literacy for All

We are celebrating 'Book Week Scotland' this month.

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Glasgow Counts

Next week is 'Talk Money Week'; we will be focusing on financial education!

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The Leader in Me

This month we are learning more about Habit 3: Put First Things First.

Glasgow's Improvement Challenge



- Raising attainment in literacy and numeracy through targeted support and interventions in primary schools
- Improving children's health and well-being through nurturing approaches and increased participation in physical health and sport
- Supporting families to be better able to support their child's learning and development
- Enhancing leadership of senior staff



October Update

We had a much needed break over the October Week and children (and staff) returned ready and refreshed to face the new term.

- On the 12th of October our Primary 1 parents joined us in school for a Teddy Bear's Picnic to celebrate the end of the children's topic. It was great to have so many families back in the school and we look forward to providing more opportunities to have you all in school over the coming months.
- The 14th was our 3rd In-Service Day and the staff all took part in a day of Leader in Me training with a trainer who had flown up to Glasgow. We got lots of new ideas for goal setting with the children.
- On the 23rd and 24th our LCR pupils visited East Yonderton Farm to go Pumpkin Picking. I've never seen children so muddy as they were when they got back but everyone had a great time.
- 12 of our senior pupils gained a Bikeability Level 2 Award on the 24th after an assessment to show they were able to cycle safely following the rules of the road.
- On 26th October our Primary 4 classes went to the Children's Wood for an author session with

Allison Galbraith. The children had a great time running through the labyrinth before settling down to hear a Halloween story.

- The children had a fantastic time at the class Halloween parties. The costumes get better every year and it was great to see so many homemade costumes; we have some very talented parents!

Main Events for the Children in November

- 1st - Solemnity of All Saints, Mass at 11am
- 3rd - Outdoor Classroom Day
- 4th - Feast of St Charles Borromeo
- 10th - P4 and P5 Cinema Trip
- 11th - P1-3 Cinema Trip
- 14th - Book Week Scotland
- 16th - Catholic Education Week
- 18th - P6 and P7 Cinema Trip
- 24th - **Parents' Evening**
- 25th - Non-Uniform Day
- 30th - St Andrew's Day P1 and P7 class photos

November



PROMOTING ACHIEVEMENT – ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

As we all know attendance at school is one of the most important factors which contributes to academic success. Glasgow City Council deems 90% attendance as acceptable.

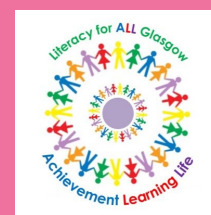
Our attendance rate was October was 93.21% which is only slightly down from September's rate of 93.32%. Primary 1 were this month's best attenders with an attendance rate of 94.98%. Well done to our Primary 1; No wonder they're doing so well!

Reporting an absence via the **Pupils Absence Reporting Line** is now easier than ever as you can just call the school office on 0141 946 1391 and choose Option 1. You can do this online at www.glasgow.gov.uk/pupilabsence.



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Literacy for All



Book Week Scotland is an annual celebration of books and reading that takes place across the country. Book Week Scotland 2022 will take place from 14–20 November.

Book Week Scotland

Read, Write, Count aims to build parents' confidence, and encourage families to include easy and fun reading, writing and counting activities in their everyday lives. Mrs O'Neill and Mrs Burke have invited Primary 2 and 3 parents into school to find out about the Read, Write, Count bags that the children will be bringing home.



We are delighted to have been able to re-open the school library and children are enjoying weekly sessions during class time. This month the library will open for children during the lunch break to provide a quiet space for the children who love reading. We'll also be starting some lunch time '**Wee Bookworms Book Clubs**' for pupils who would like to meet to share a book, discussing what they have read at expressing their opinions, likes, dislikes, etc.

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Glasgow Counts



This month we will be having Talk Money Week which runs from the 7th - 11th November when we will be having a focus on Financial Education.

talk money week

The skills, knowledge, attitudes and behaviours that help people to manage money and achieve good financial well-being begin to develop from an early age. Money and Pensions Service (MaPS) research shows that financial behaviour starts to be shaped between the ages of three and seven, with parents and carers being a key influence, and long-term financial outcomes can be predicted from skills and behaviour in children as young as five.

Evidence suggests that children are most receptive to learning about money at points where it relates to events in their real lives, at 'teachable moments' and 'just in time' for their learning to be applied. Opportunities for learning might spring from something in the news, something that has happened in a child's life (e.g. getting money from the tooth fairy, getting a new pet) or just an inquisitive question (e.g. How does money get in a cash machine? Who invented money? Why do children receive different amounts of pocket money?).

Please share any learning experiences you have with your child via their SeeSaw journal and we will be sharing our school learning with you throughout this week.

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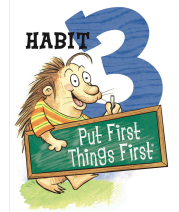
Leader in Me

“You have to decide what your highest priorities are and have the courage—pleasantly, smilingly, non-apologetically, to say “no” to other things. And the way you do that is by having a bigger “yes” burning inside.”

Dr Stephen R. Covey

During November we will be deepening our understanding of **Habit 3: Put First Things First**.

Here is some of the language your child will be learning: Have a Plan. Work First, Then Play. I spend my time on things that are most important. This means I say no to things I know I should not do. I set priorities, make a schedule, and follow my plan. I am disciplined and organised.



To help your child practice Habit 3 at home, talk about what's most important to your family. Make a list of your family's top three Big Rocks (most important priorities).

OCTOBER HIGHLIGHTS

