

SAINT CHARLES' PRIMARY & LCR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



We're now in the second part of Term 3 and are heading toward the Easter Break. We break up for Easter on 31st March.

On the 8th March we will be celebrating International Women's Day. You will have received a message inviting you to our Ladies' Afternoon Tea. The Celtic Women's Football Team will be there, along with their press team so we're really looking forward to speaking to the players about women in sports.

We can't wait to enjoy some tea, cake and conversation with you all and to celebrate Mums, Grans, Aunties, sisters and friends everywhere. We will be raising funds for women's charities and have some amazing prizes so please contact the school office to get a ticket.

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Literacy for All

We have another author visit planned, this time it's for P1.

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Glasgow Counts

March is a big month for Maths and we'll be celebrating in a number of ways.

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The Leader in Me

This month we will be learning about Habit 7: Sharpen the Saw.

Glasgow's Improvement Challenge



Glasgow 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



February Update

February was another quick month and was slightly shorter due to the mid-term holiday and a couple of school closure days due to industrial action. We still managed to squeeze lots in though.

- On the 3rd February we took part in NSPCC's Number Day by 'Dressing up for Digits' and having a fun-filled day of maths activities and games. We raised £150.50 to support services such as Speak out Stay safe and Childline. Thanks to everyone who donated.
- On the week beginning 6th February we took part in Children's Mental Health Week. This year's theme was 'Let's Connect'. The children explored all of the connections they have with others, in school, at home and in the local community.
- On 17th February our Primary 4 pupils visited the Science Centre as part of their 'Our World' topic. Thanks to the parents who came along to help!
- The Royal Navy visited the school on the 20th to run workshops for our P5-7 pupils as part of Engineers' Week. The children learned about pneumatics, coding and electronics. Thanks to Miss Burke, our STEM lead, for organising.

- On 24th February we had our monthly Non-Uniform Day. We raised £258 which will be donated to SCIAF's Emergency Appeal for the victims of the Turkey and Syria Earthquake.

Main Events for the Children in March

- 2nd - World Book Day
- 3rd - First Friday Mass
- 8th - International Women's Day
- 10th - British Science Week
- 17th - St Patrick's Day
- 21st - World Poetry Day
- 22nd - Ramadan begins
- 23rd - Parents' Evening
- 26th - Sponsored Walk for Autism
- 27th - Health Week
Autism Acceptance Week
- 31st - Non-Uniform Day/School closes for Easter Break



PROMOTING ACHIEVEMENT - ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Glasgow City Council deems 90% attendance as acceptable.

Our attendance rate was January was 91.34%; February's rate has risen to 93%, which is great. Primary 7 were the best attenders in February with an attendance rate of 94.03%. Well done, Primary 7!

It is important that you officially report your child's absence via the **Pupil Absence Reporting Line**. This is now easier than ever as you can just call the school office on **0141 946 1391** and choose **Option 1**. You can also **do this online** at www.glasgow.gov.uk/pupilabsence.

Failure to do this may result in formal action being taken.



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Literacy for All

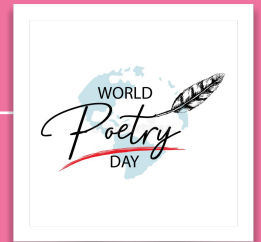


A number of our classes have now taken part in author visits, either in school or at Hillhead Library. These visits are great for children to hear about how authors and illustrators get the ideas for their characters and stories; they can also awaken the idea that some of our children could do this as a career when they grow up.



Our next author visit will take place on Tuesday 7th March when Primary 1 go to the Children's Wood to meet Alan Windram, the author of 'One Button Benny'.

On the 21st March we celebrate World Poetry Day. This was introduced in 1999, with the aim of promoting the reading, writing, publishing and teaching of poetry around the world.



Reading poetry teaches children how to express their emotions and put into words how they feel. It also introduces children to new vocabulary and rhythms, as poetry is often rich with interesting and varied language and poetic devices.

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Glasgow Counts



March is a month when there's lots of opportunities to celebrate Maths!

March 14 marks Pi Day, an annual celebration of the mathematical sign pi. Founded in 1988 by physicist Larry Shaw, March 14 was selected because the numerical date (3.14) represents the first three digits of pi, and it also happens to be Albert Einstein's birthday. On the 14th each of our classes will be encouraged to take their maths activities outdoors. Keep your eyes on our social media channels to see what the children get up to!



World Maths Day will take place on the 23rd March 2023. We will be taking part in school but we'd like families to get involved too by showing everyone that you and your children are getting involved in World Maths Day this year.

There are still 4 sessions left of Maths 'Stay and Play' sessions for Primary 2 parents. Please attend if you can to help develop your child's maths skills through play.



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Leader in Me

“Sharpen the saw means preserving and enhancing the greatest asset you have, you!” *Dr Stephen R. Covey*

During March we will be deepening our understanding of Habit 7: Sharpen the Saw.

Here is some of the language your child will be learning in class: Balance feels best. I take care of my body by eating right, exercising and getting sleep. I spend time with my family and friends. I learn in lots of ways and lots of places, not just at school. I take time to find meaningful ways to help others.



During the final week of this term we will celebrate our annual Health Week. During this week the children will be offered a variety of opportunities to ‘sharpen the saw’, hopefully families will join in too!

FEBRUARY HIGHLIGHTS

