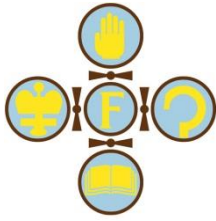


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ST.FILLAN'S P.S.

## Friday Update February 4<sup>th</sup> 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **News**

We are delighted to hear the news today that Pope Francis has appointed Bishop William Nolan of Galloway to succeed Archbishop Tartaglia in the Archdiocese of Glasgow. We pray for him in his new role.

### **Children's Mental Health Week.**

Children's Mental Health Week is from the 7<sup>th</sup> to the 11<sup>th</sup> of February. Our focus during this week is on 'Growing Together' and focusing on how we can help one another to grow. Our counselling through Schools funding programme with Life link was a big success and we are grateful for the work they have covered with our children and families. Although it was a significant outlay for the school to cover the cost of each session we believe it was an investment for the children who benefited and was money well spent. Mrs McAvoy is sending out a newsletter on Monday with some more information about what we do.

To mark Children's Mental Health Week Mrs McAvoy has organised a number of activities for the children to participate in class. We will finish the week with a dress down day next Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February where children can come dressed in the outfit or clothes that best expresses their uniqueness. There will be a voluntary donation of **£1 per family** towards school funds.

### **Safer Internet day**

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> of February is safer internet day. The theme is 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online.' More information can be found [here](#).

### **Holocaust Memorial Day**

Our children have undertaken a variety of different activities and learning experiences around the marking of Holocaust Memorial Day. Our P5-7 stages took part in a solemn memorial with myself during the week where we did some topic work on famous people who survived the Holocaust and lived in Glasgow. We also explored the injustice and imagined what life would have been like for them if they had lived during this period of History.

### **JRSO Traffic Patrol**

Our Junior Road Safety Officer pupils have undertaken a traffic survey to record the numbers of cars that do not adhere to the traffic restrictions from our SCFZ. The children have recorded the information and will share with the Community Road Safety Team.

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### Our School Oratory

Mrs Brennan is continuing to work with her Laudato Si group on the development of a brand new oratory in the school. We are very grateful to all of our parents for their continuing support of these projects which will be of great benefit to the school.

### Clubs in St Fillan's

We are delighted to say that we now have a number of breakfast, lunchtime and afterschool clubs running in the school across a wide range of stages. These have now been increased over the last couple of weeks. We are very fortunate to have a large number of partners working with us to increase our sports delivery.

### P7 Educational Visits and End of Term plans

With the gradual relaxing of mitigations; we are organising a series of events for our Primary 7 leavers for the end of the year in June. We will provide further details once these have been finalised.

### Reporting Covid related absence

Pupils who display any coronavirus symptoms should not attend school and should follow NHS advice, self-isolate and book a PCR test. Parents are requested to keep the school informed of any pupil positive cases by **contacting the school office directly on 0141 637 8750**. All other non covid related absences can be logged via the absence line.

### Communicating with the school leadership team

Please remember that we are using a form system to facilitate communication. **If there is a matter of urgency** that you wish to discuss please use the link [here](#) and the matter will be addressed as soon as possible.

Please do not use the contact form for absence related communication. You should phone the school office or the absence line to allow the office staff to update to their system.

### Hoodies

Thanks to the PTA for their distribution of our school hoodies recently. It has been wonderful to see the children wearing these in school over the last couple of weeks. Please remember the hoodies are not a replacement for our school jumpers and should be worn on PE days and as an additional layer of clothing during the winter months.

Thank you for your continued support. I hope you have a lovely weekend

Mr Bourke, Head Teacher.

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