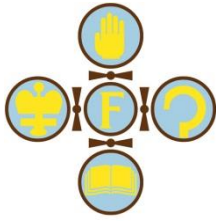


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ST.FILLAN'S P.S.

Newsletter Friday 19th March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we welcomed back our P4-7 children to the school building. They have all settled in well and it's been lovely to see and hear them outside enjoying outdoor learning in the early Spring sunshine.

Today we say a sad goodbye to Miss King who is leaving us for a new position in another school. We wish her all the best for the future.

Update on Google Classroom for Isolating children

We have set up 3 specialised Google Classrooms entitled 'Self Isolation and Home Learning'. Your child will be invited to the Google Classrooms relevant to their stage. **These new Google Classrooms will be used solely for the purpose of children having to self-isolate due to COVID or other circumstances.** In the event of your child having to self-isolate, once you have informed the school, the school will advise you to access the work already provided on this new Google Classrooms. In the instance of whole class isolation, work will continue to be provided on the class Google Classroom and not this new classroom.

Health and Safety notice

Thank you to everyone who has helped support our full reopening this week by maintaining social distancing with members outside of your own family. Please continue to wear masks on school grounds and when dropping off or collecting your child/children. Please also remember only one adult should accompany children when dropping off or collecting from school.

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Our friends from the community police were out on Monday to support with traffic management and to remind everyone that Crompton Avenue has traffic management restrictions in place. Please be mindful of the dangers of carrying out 3 point turns outside the school at busy times. Children cannot always 'read' reverse lights.

PTA Go Fund me

A special word from our Parents in the PTA:

Last week St Fillan's PTA announced our first fundraising opportunity for 2021. With traditional fundraising opportunities limited, we wanted to provide a way that Parents and Guardians can continue to support our local school to help them make a difference in our children's lives. As lockdown eases we hope to be able to arrange some activities of a more social nature for our pupils and their families, as restrictions allow. We understand that everyone within our local community has been affected by the impacts of Covid-19 over these past 12 months

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We understand that everyone's situation is different so we're asking only if you can, to please donate to help our PTA support the school. Our main focus is on helping the school by purchasing STEM equipment suitable for all years of learning. Additionally, our P7 leavers will be receiving their Leavers Hoodie as a token of our appreciation for all those years of hard work.

From everyone at the PTA, stay safe, and thank you in advance for your contributions.

Here is a link to our PTA fundraising page:

<https://uk.gofundme.com/f/st-fillans-primary-pta-fund-stem-equipment>

BBC Scotland ICT Business for School scheme laptop recycling

We are pleased to have formed a partnership with 'Business2Schools', a charity who encourage work places to send devices and furniture to schools rather than ending up in landfill. On Wednesday the school and some parents were interviewed by BBC Scotland to discuss this new initiative. We hope this partnership will allow us to access more high quality devices for our families.

Lord Provost Easter Eggs

Many thanks to Phillip Braat, Lord Provost of Glasgow, for his generous donation of an Easter Egg for every child in the school. These will be distributed to the children during Holy Week.

First Holy Communion Sacramental information

All children in P4 and P5 who are receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion this year have now been informed of their date. These will take place over April and May. A few parents have been in touch to ask about what they should wear with the closure of kilt shops etc. It is absolutely fine for them to wear school uniform or smart clothing. Some parents have also offered to lend Communion dresses from last year. Please get in touch with Mrs Hamilton via the forms system if there are any questions related to this.

Please continue to get in touch with the school [here](#) via the form system. The form is also available on the school website.

Thank you for all your continued support of the school and of all our staff. We hope you have a peaceful and relaxing weekend.

Mr Bourke

Head Teacher.

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