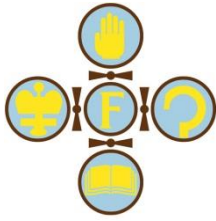


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ST.FILLAN'S P.S.

Newsletter Friday 23rd April 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome Back

I hope you all had a lovely Easter and feel refreshed after the holiday. We look forward to the next few weeks of our new term and hope we will be blessed with more of the fine weather that we have had today.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our collection for Missio during Holy week. I am delighted to tell you that your kindness and generosity raised £420.

Outdoor Learning and Garden area

You may have seen the difference a group of PTA members, Parents, Staff and Pupils made to the school grounds over the Easter Break. If you haven't, please take a few minutes to watch this video: <https://twitter.com/StFillansPS/status/1383130899089350663?s=20>

A massive thanks to the parents who work with Holkat Limited, Morrisons and ADT Alarms for their exceptionally kind donations. We are extremely grateful for their generosity including church pews, soil, sunflower seeds, bedding plants, bulbs, garden paint, provision of a van ETC! The list goes on and on!!!

If you work with a business/company who are in a position to offer donations that can help us further improve our school grounds, we'd really love to hear from you.

Everyone's involvement has had a big impact on outdoor learning and pupils' playground experiences. Today our whole school community came together again when the children came dressed in bright colours carrying tools, seeds, plants plant, pots, shrubs and flowers. The atmosphere around the school today has given everyone a massive lift to see the children planting, digging and watering.

Many thanks to you all of you! This is community in its truest sense! Look out for some pictures/films on twitter coming soon.

PTA hoodies for P7

A huge thank you to our wonderful PTA who gifted our P7 pupils with their smart 'leavers' hoodies in a short ceremony this morning on the pitch. We thought that presenting to them early in the term would allow plenty of wear at weekends and evenings as well as on PE days in school.

First Holy Communion

Over the last week the remaining children from Primary 5 celebrated their Sacrament of First Holy Communion in Christ the King Parish Church. It was a wonderfully spiritual occasion for all of the

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families involved and the children and parents enjoyed celebrating Mass in the church. We look forward to our Primary 4 children celebrating their Sacrament at the beginning of May.

A huge thanks to everyone in the parish and school who worked so hard to make sure everyone had a memorable evening. Thanks to our PTA for the beautiful gift of a wooden crucifix for each child. Thanks also to our very own in-house seamstress Mrs Gallagher who made a white face covering for each child to wear in the church.

A Team/B Team Football

Both of our school football teams recommenced training this week after the lifting of restrictions. 'B' team training is held at St Bridget's in Tory Glen on Wednesday nights. P4 and 5 children and the girls in P4-7 will train between 6.30pm -7.30pm and P6-7 boys will train between 7.30pm and 8.30pm.

'A' Team training will take place between 7pm and 9pm at St Fillan's Primary on Thursdays. We remind parents that they must drop off their child and leave the grounds immediately as there is no spectating permitted as per Government guidance.

There is a £2 charge for both groups of players to cover the cost of the lets.

Bank Holiday /Polling Day School In-service information

The school will be closed for the Bank holiday on Monday the 3rd of May. There will be staff in-service on Thursday 6th of May as the school will also be closed to pupils due to the Scottish Government Elections being held on that day.

School Car free Zone Survey

Glasgow City Council's School Car Free Zone has been in place for the last year and they would like to get feedback about the scheme from your staff and parents. The survey is online and will start on the 19th of April and run for 4 weeks until the 16th of May.

The Parent Link is found at : <https://sustrans.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/glasgow-school-streets-parent-survey>

Glasgow City Council will be delivering survey postcards to the local residents to get feedback from them w/c 19th of April.

COVID Health and Safety notice

Thank you to everyone who has helped support our full reopening 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.

Please ensure your child has a change of clothes in school each day. As the children will be outdoors a lot more often children require to change into a change of clothes. This currently does not have to be school uniform attire.

Test and Protect link and guidelines

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I just wanted to thank everyone who has supported our efforts to reopen safely after Easter by adhering to the guidance we have issued regularly through our newsletters. **If your child has any of the symptoms of COVID 19 (High temperature, new and continuous cough or loss or change to your sense of taste or smell) then you must get a test. PLEASE DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL IF THEY ARE DISPLAYING CORONAVIRUS SYMPTOMS. If anyone in your household has tested positive then all household members must get a coronavirus test** . Even if a negative result is returned for those family members, they **must still isolate**.

Full guidance can be found on the link below.

<https://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-test-and-protect/pages/who-needs-to-self-isolate/>

Contacting the school

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 relaxing weekend and look forward to sharing all our hard work and fun over the next few weeks.

Mr Bourke

Head Teacher.

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