

Friday Update 13<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Throughout the week I visited some of the children in their classes and spoke with them in the dining hall. I have to re-emphasise how proud we are of them all for their resilience and adaptability to the changing situation. The children continue to be a credit to you as parents and carers with their positive attitude and desire to learn.

### In November We Remember

Throughout the month of November we remember the souls of the departed and ask the school's Patron Saint to bring comfort to those who need it most.

Dear St. Fillan

You lived your life studying God's word and bringing His love to others.

Help us today to listen to God's voice, to hear His special message for us

And to show His love to everyone we meet.

We make this prayer through Christ Our Lord. Amen

#### Interim reporting

This year, as we will be unable to have our usual Parents' evening to discuss the progress of your child, we will report to you via an interim report. Your child's report will be sent to you at the end of this month.

#### Keeping Warm in Glasgow

We are following the advice and guidance ensuring that we have as much ventilation in our schools and classrooms – while also ensuring everyone is kept warm.

Glasgow City Council has joined forces with 'The Herald' and 'Glasgow Times' to launch a 'Keeping Warm in Glasgow' campaign and is appealing for donations of warm jackets, coats and warm hoodies/sweatshirts for children and young people in need of support during the pandemic.

The Local Authority is asking that communities do all that they can to help during the winter months. Glasgow Life has offered community centres as locations where the clothes can be donated.

You can read the full story here <u>https://www.heraldscotland.com/news/18858918.keeping-warm-glasgow-appeal-launched-keep-pupils-wrapped-well-chilly-classrooms/?ref=ebln</u>



### St Fillan's Loves Reading

Our whole school continues to take part in the reading challenge this term. #StFillan'sLovesReading



Mrs Hamilton and Mrs Henderson have contacted the children to encourage them to participate in this event. Your child will have received the email through GLOW this week encouraging them to participate in the reading challenges. Once your child has completed the challenge their name will be added to a leaf on our reading tree and they will be entered into a Book Bundle prize draw.



Keep us up to date with your Reading Challenge by sharing any pictures **on twitter@StFillanPS #StFillan'sLovesReading #GlasgowLovesReading20** 

### Health and Safety

Can we please remind you that hooped ear-rings represent a contravention of Glasgow City Council's policy on wearing jewellery in schools.

### **Digital Learning Home Learning Strategy**

We have been working as a school on devising a home learning strategy to clarify and simplify what our expectations are of your children and how we work together in partnership to develop home learning strategies that are suitable for the children. Attached please find our Digital Learning Strategy. A huge thank you must be reserved for Mrs Gibb for her hard work in trying to address all your ICT queries and glitches that have been encountered. We thank you for your patience as there can be a number of issues affecting the various platforms that need to be addressed so resolution can take longer than expected.

### Communicating with the school

Thank you for continuing to use our form system to facilitate communication rather than contacting through email. If there is a matter of urgency that you wish to discuss please use the link below and the matter will be addressed as soon as possible.

If you experience digital issues and wish to receive digital support please also use our forms link below

https://email.gsn.local/owa/redir.aspx?C=OCAwvqSK0e3VHZJtWNDly1B5Xc\_65TDRiZxGISnLVe\_8KPr aUUvYCA..&URL=https%3a%2f%2fforms.office.com%2fPages%2fResponsePage.aspx%3fid%3doyzTz M4Wj0KVQTctawUZKTFrmVCm7WIHt\_dWm\_si5J9UMFZHSjRRT0JWUjJINkpOVzhKMDc5TkxYRC4u

### School Car Free Zone

Our School Car Free Zone pilot has continued this week. Unfortunately there has been an increase in the number of (mostly general public) road users (as well as delivery drivers) who have been not

observing the restrictions. I have made a note of the increase in this situation and have alerted the Police and Road Safety team on this matter. I have also been looking for help from the council to address the issue around the Double Yellow lines not being visible at the bottom of Crompton Avenue, which was also highlighted by members of the public. Thank you to everyone who has continues to support the SCFZ pilot.

For clarity there is no access to vehicles on Crompton Avenue between 8.30 and 9.15 and 2.45 and 3.30 unless the drivers have a permit or are blue badge holders. Police have advised for members of the public to take note of vehicles not observing these restrictions and to report violations to them.

I would like to thank you all for your continuing support of the school, and in implementing all of the guidance often at short notice.



Kind Regards, Mr Brian Bourke

Headteacher.



## St Fillan's Primary School

### **Home Learning Charter**



SCHOOL	HOME
Effective Communication.	
<ul> <li>We use a number of platforms to ensure robust Home/School communication e.g. Twitter, School Gateway Engage Website, Glow Email, Texts/ Xpressions App, and Microsoft Forms.</li> <li>In addition, Glow email and Google Classroom are used to keep in touch with children.</li> <li>Google Classroom is our chosen platform used to strengthen pupil connections where teaching staff can : <ul> <li>-set and collect homework tasks.</li> <li>-make announcements.</li> <li>-store classroom materials.</li> <li>-allow students to interact when necessary.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Glow email will be used to set tasks in the event of individuals self-isolating or if pupils have an IT issue that needs addressed.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ensure that your child logs into Google Classroom daily to access homework provided.</li> <li>Support your child to submit homework tasks via Google Classroom.</li> <li>In event of individual self-isolation, ensure that your child logs into Glow Email and Google Classroom to access all tasks set by the class teacher</li> <li>Ensure that your child logs into Glow Email regularly to check for emails from other staff.</li> <li>Contact school if your child is experiencing any issues logging into any digital resources.</li> <li>Remind your child about the importance of internet safety and highlight any issue that gives cause for concern.</li> </ul>
Using Digital Platforms	
<ul> <li>All Staff have been trained to use Google classroom and a variety of online resources to provide activities remotely with children (individuals, groups, classes.</li> <li>Children will be asked to engage with the following platforms. GLOW (P1-7), Sumdog (P1-7), Oxford Reading Owls (P1-2), Literacy Planet (P1-7), First News (P4-7), Hour of Code (P3-7) and (coming soon!) Languagenut (P1-7).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Log on to Google Classroom with your child.</li> <li>Your child has been supplied with log in details for a number of different platforms to compliment learning. GLOW (P1-7), Sumdog (P1-7), Literacy Planet (P1-7), First News (P4-7), Hour of Code (P3-7) and (coming soon!) Languagenut (P1-7).</li> <li>Work in partnership with the school around using the digital platforms and support your child to complete activities outside of the classroom when isolating.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Contact Mrs Gibb for digital support through our school contact form if there are issues around connecting to the digital platforms.</li> </ul>

Wi-fi access/Devices	
<ul> <li>Almost all families replied to the digital learning survey. School telephoned individual families who did not respond.</li> <li>From the data collated, we know that <u>all</u> pupils in our school have internet access.</li> <li>From the data collated, we are aware that some pupils do not have devices and this information has been submitted to Glasgow City Council to address.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Continue to engage with the school to complete digital access surveys as appropriate.</li> <li>If individual circumstances change please contact the school.</li> </ul>
nome learning.	
<ul> <li>Weekly homework is provided for all children through the digital platforms.</li> <li>We provide a range of home learning activities to support periods of self-isolation either for individuals or whole classes.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ensure your child will log onto the digital platforms to access the home learning task each week for their child.</li> <li>Support your child in learning experiences provided by their teacher where you can and return within agreed timeframes.</li> </ul>
Engagement	
<ul> <li>In the case of a whole class isolation the class teacher will be supporting the whole class to engage with learning at home</li> <li>In cases of individual isolation class teachers will support by providing work through the platforms mentioned above.</li> <li>SLT will monitor class and individual engagement and support families if there is a drop in engagement.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Support your child to engage with the learning provided by the school</li> <li>Agree parental expectations with your chil on engagement and level of work to be completed.</li> <li>Contact the school if your child is reluctant or struggling to do school activities at home.</li> </ul>
Materials	
<ul> <li>We will continue to organise a selection of jotters, stationery for individual children to use at home and are prepared to re stock for this.</li> <li>We have provided additional tablets for pupils who do not have a device.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Contact school if you need materials to support learning at home. This can be done through the Microsoft Forms system on newsletter/website.</li> </ul>

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Feedback		
<ul> <li>We have plans and processes to feedback to families about learning via Google Classroom and through our interim reporting.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Engage with school on learning undertaken.</li> </ul>	