## St Mary's RC Primary Newsletter 2



Thank you to everyone who has returned their annual updates so promptly. We are still waiting for some of these to come in – your child will not be able to go on a school trip without the forms being updated.

Well done to P7 who prepared fantastic posters and speeches for the House Captain elections. Congratulations to our newly appointed House Captains – Layla and Natalia for St Andrew's and Hannah and Toni for St Margaret's. Lunch with the Headie this week ladies!

Thank you to parents, parishioners and family members who attended the Denominational Schools consultations last week. The paper detailing a number of proposals for the Schools Estate can be found on the Council website with copies at the school reception and on our school website. Look out for more information coming home soon.

https://www.midlothian.gov.uk/downloads/file/3656/midlothian denominational review 2019 information pack pdf

Please check out the calendar of dates for this term.

Mrs Liz Laird – Head Teacher

## \*\*\* IMPORTANT DATE FOR DIARY \*\*\* Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September 7.15pm **PARENT COUNCIL AGM**

The next year is a very important one for the school as we will be moving into our new school building at Easter 2020. We need a parent representative for each class in the school as well as Office bearers who will take the lead in coordinating events. Please come along to find out more and to support the school.

## \*\*\* IMPORTANT DATE FOR DIARY \*\*\* FRIDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 9AM – 10.30am **BOATS (Bring Our Adults To School) Day LITERACY**

This is a chance for you to come along and hear about how we approach the teaching of talking, listening, reading, writing, spelling, grammar and all things literacy. Come along and visit a range of classes where you will see literacy in action in the class and can ask the teacher questions about how you can help your child at home.

PLEASE PLEASE !! Avoid handing money into the school office first thing in the morning as this is a very busy time for them. Any money to be handed in to school should be given to your child to be collected at registration time. All money should be in an envelope with your child's name, class and reason for payment clearly labelled.

**SCHOOL MEALS** are now £2.10 Please use Parent Pay to pay for school meals. If your account is in arrears you cannot continue to order meals without paying for them. Please provide a packed lunch for your child and contact the school to discuss any difficulties in making payments.

ALL MEDICATION MUST be handed in to the school office and the appropriate medical form completed. Please do not ever give your child medication to bring to school in their bag. Pupils requiring inhalers need to have two in school - one in class and one at the school office. If your child requires a care plan for allergies, the school nurse will be in touch with you to arrange an appointment to update this.

MISSIO This year we will once again collect small change for this Catholic International Charity with the theme "Children helping Children". The boys and girls are invited to bring in any small change that might be going spare from next week, to be collected weekly from each class to support causes around the world. Mrs Macaulay will run the Missio group and raise awareness of the work being done to help children around the world. Find out more at https://www.missioscotland.com/

## **DIARY DATES**

FRIDAY 6 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER	P4 SWIMMING
MONDAY 9 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER	HANDS UP TRAVEL SURVEY
FRIDAY 13 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER	BOATS MORNING – LITERACY – ALL WELCOME
	P4 SWIMMING
MONDAY 16 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER	HOLIDAY
TUESDAY 17 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER	IN SERVICE DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
WED 18 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER	TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHER – FAMILY AND INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS
FRIDAY 20 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER	P4 SWIMMING
FRIDAY 27 <sup>™</sup> SEPTEMBER	P4 SWIMMING
MONDAY 30 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER	IEP MEETINGS
FRIDAY 4 <sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER	BOATS MORNING- MATHS AND NUMERACY – ALL WELCOME
	P4 SWIMMING
7 <sup>TH</sup> – 11 <sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER	BOOK FAIR WEEK
TUES 8 <sup>™</sup> OCTOBER	PARENTAL CONSULTATIONS 5.30-8.30PM
WED 9 <sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER	PARENTAL CONSULTATIONS 3.45-5.45PM
FRIDAY 11 <sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER	P4 SWIMMING
14 <sup>TH</sup> – 18 <sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER	SCHOOL HOLIDAY
MONDAY 21 <sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER	IN SERVICE DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
TUESDAY 22 <sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER	IN SERVICE DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
WEDNESDAY 23 <sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER	ALL RESUME
FRIDAY 25 <sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER	P4 SWIMMING
SAT/SUNDAY 26 <sup>TH</sup> AND 27 <sup>TH</sup>	ENROLMENT MASS FOR FIRST CONFESSION P3 AND FIRST HOLY
OCTOBER	COMMUNION P4
WED 30 <sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER	P5 SKIING
THURSDAY 31 <sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER	HALLOWE'EN DISCO
FRIDAY 1 <sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER	ALL SAINTS DAY MASS 10.30AM – OUR LADY CHURCH
	BONNYRIGG
	P4 SWIMMING
WED 6 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER	P5 SKIING
FRIDAY 8 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER	P4 SWIMMING
WED 13TH NOVEMBER	P5 SKIING
FRIDAY 15 <sup>™</sup> NOVEMBER	P4 SWIMMING
MONDAY 18 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER	NEW P1 ENROLMENT FOR 2020
TUESDAY 19 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER	PARENTS MEETING FOR RECONCILIATION OUR LADY CHURCH
	HALL 7PM
WED 20 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER	P5 SKIING
THURSDAY 21 <sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER	FLU VACCINATIONS
FRIDAY 22 <sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER	P4 SWIMMING
WED 27 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER	P5 SKIING
FRIDAY 29 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER	ST ANDREW'S DAY CELEBRATIONS
SATURDAY 30 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER	BONNYRIGG LIGHTS CEREMONY
WED 4 <sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER	P5 SKIING
THURSDAY 5 <sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER	CHRISTMAS FAIR
SUNDAY 15 <sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER	RECONCILIATION SERVICE 5PM ST MATTHEW'S CHURCH FIRST
	CONFESSIONS
TUESDAY 17TH DECEMBER	CHRISTMAS CONCERT 2PM AND 7PM
FRIDAY 20 <sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER	CHRISTINGLE CAROL SERVICE – SCHOOL CLOSES 12:15PM FOR
PD PD	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
23 <sup>RD</sup> – 3 <sup>RD</sup> JANUARY	SCHOOL HOLIDAY
MONDAY 6 <sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2020	IN SERVICE DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
TUESDAY 7 <sup>TH</sup> JANUARY	ALL RESUME