



# St Mary's RC Primary

## Newsletter 8

### April 2024



I hope that you all enjoyed the Easter break despite the awful weather. The children have returned with great enthusiasm and energy and we look forward to an exciting term with them. Please check overleaf for key dates for the remainder of the school session. It has been good to see the sunshine last week, but please also send your child with a waterproof jacket each day.

We wish our Glee Club Good Luck as they compete in the regional heats in Edinburgh on Wednesday – it looks and sounds terrific and they should be very proud of themselves. Their hard work has paid off. Thanks to Mrs Choat, Mrs Nisbet and Mr Snow for their hard work and support with the children.

Good luck also to our First Holy Communicants who will receive the Eucharist for the first time this coming Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April with the majority of the P4s receiving it on 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> May. Thanks to Mrs Brolly and Ms Scola for all their hard work and guidance in preparation for this Holy Sacrament.

Mrs Liz Laird - Headteacher

#### STAFFING UPDATE

We have welcomed Mrs Sophie Holt as class teacher to P3 while Mrs Copeland is on maternity leave. We will keep you posted with news of the baby!!

#### PLEASE! PLEASE! PLEASE!

Could any money coming into school be in a sealed envelope with your **CHILD'S NAME, CLASS AND REASON FOR PAYMENT** written on it clearly. Please send money in with your child in the morning where it will be collected and sent to the school office. Please try to avoid bringing money at the end of the day as the banking is done during the day.

This term is especially busy at the school office – please bring your children to school on time to line up in the playground and do not use the reception entrance as a short cut. The lines are still coming in a few minutes after the bell and the gates are not locked. Please check before using the main office entrance.

#### PARENT PAY

Please ensure you have enough funds on your Parent Pay account to pay for a school dinner in advance. We have a number of families with outstanding debt on Parent Pay.

#### SCHOOL CAMP

P7 will be making their final preparations for going to Lockerbie Manor next week. A reminder for final payments for tuck money in coins please and that no medication will be received by school until Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April.

P6 have received a reminder for deposit payments for next year – please return the slip indicating if your child is going to school camp. Payment cards have been set up with the first instalment due 1<sup>st</sup> May.

#### P1 ENROLMENT

Midlothian Council are aiming to have their offers of placements in P1 with parents before the end of April. Details of the transition visits for our new pupils will follow once we know who is coming into P1. Check list of dates overleaf.



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KEY DATES	
TUESDAY 23 <sup>RD</sup> APRIL	P5 CLUBGOLF
WEDNESDAY 24 <sup>TH</sup> APRIL	GLEE CLUB HEATS – CHECK SCHOOL BAGS FOR FINAL INFORMATION
SUNDAY 28 <sup>TH</sup> APRIL	FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS 11.30AM OUR LADY OF CONSOLATION CHURCH BONNYRIGG
MONDAY 29 <sup>TH</sup> APRIL – FRI 3 <sup>RD</sup> MAY	P7 SCHOOL CAMP
MONDAY 6 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	MAY DAY HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO ALL PUPILS
TUESDAY 7 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	MEETING FOR PARENTS FOR P7 CONFIRMATION – OUR LADY CHURCH HALL – 7PM - PLEASE BRING BAPTISMAL INFORMATION WITH YOU.
WEDNESDAY 8 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	PARENT COUNCIL MEETING – 7PM SCHOOL MEETING ROOM
THURSDAY 9 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	ASCENSION THURSDAY – MASS IN OUR LADY CHURCH 10.30AM
THURSDAY 9 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	MEETING FOR NEW P1 PARENTS FOR AUG 2024 – SCHOOL HALL 7pm
MONDAY 20 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	IN SERVICE DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO ALL PUPILS
THURSDAY 23 <sup>RD</sup> MAY	NURSERY – P1 TRANSITION 9:30AM – 10.30AM
SAT/SUN 25 <sup>TH</sup> /26 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASSES 6:00PM ST MATTHEW’S AND 11:30AM OUR LADY OF CONSOLATION
MONDAY 27 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	IEP MEETINGS
THURSDAY 30 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	NURSERY – P1 TRANSITION 9:30AM – 10.30AM
THURSDAY 30 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	P7 ATHLETICS COMPETITION
THURSDAY 6 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE	NURSERY – P1 TRANSITION 9:30AM – 10.30AM
FRIDAY 7 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE	SPORTS DAY 9:30AM – PARENTS WELCOME - FOLLOWED BY FAMILY PICNIC AND PARENT COUNCIL SUMMER FAIR
WEDNESDAY 12 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE	P7 – S1 TRANSITION VISIT
THURSDAY 13 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE	P7 – S1 TRANSITION VISIT
FRIDAY 14 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE	ALTERNATIVE SPORTS DAY – IF REQUIRED
FRIDAY 14 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE	P7 CONFIRMATION – 7PM – ST MATTHEW’S CHURCH, ROSEWELL
TUESDAY 18 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE	P7 END OF YEAR SHOW AND GRADUATION CEREMONY – 7PM
FRIDAY 21 <sup>ST</sup> JUNE	PRIZE GIVING ASSEMBLY – 9:15AM – PARENTS WELCOME
FRIDAY 21 <sup>ST</sup> JUNE	NURSERY – P1 TRANSITION LUNCH – 11AM
MONDAY 24 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE	GOLD AWARD TREAT DAY REPORTS HOME TO PARENTS
WEDNESDAY 26 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE	NURSERY GARDEN PARTY - 2PM
FRIDAY 28 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE	FINAL ASSEMBLY 11AM – SCHOOL FINISHES AT 12:15PM WITH GUARD OF HONOUR FOR OUTGOING P7 CLASS OF 2024 IN PLAYGROUND