



'All Together Every Day,
Partnership in Every Way'

St. Clare's Primary School Newsletter

August 2023 Updates



Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope our first newsletter of Session 2023/24 finds you and your family well and that you had the opportunity to relax and unwind during the summer holidays.

It is a delight to see our pupils return to school, looking smart in their uniform and ready to learn. We welcome our new Primary 1 pupils and families, and those who have transferred from other schools to St. Clare's. They are settling in well and enjoying learning and getting used to the routines within our school.

Yet again, we look forward to a busy year ahead, filled with a wide variety of opportunities and experiences to enhance pupils' skills for learning, life and work. There will also be opportunities for you to become involved in the life of the school throughout the session, which I hope many of you will embrace.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact the school if we can be of assistance and thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards,

Ms McGuinness
Headteacher



In the interest of health and safety, Glasgow City Council operates a no dogs (except guide dogs) on school grounds policy. Smoking/Vaping on school grounds is not permitted.

Please adhere to this.

Book Fair

Reading for pleasure is transformative for pupils' academic success and personal wellbeing. To celebrate reading, a **pop-up Book Fair will take place in St. Clare's from 12th to 19th September.**

During this time, pupils will have the opportunity to explore a variety of books and purchase any that they would like to read for enjoyment. Further information to follow.



September

Friday, 22 September and Monday, 25 September 2023

(September weekend holiday)

October

Friday, 13 October 2023 (In-Service Day)

Monday, 16th to Friday, 20th October 2023 (October Week)

ParentPay

Glasgow schools use ParentPay which is a system that **all parents/carers are expected to use** to pre-order lunches and pay for various items throughout the school year.

You can pre-order your child's lunches up to 4 weeks in advance and view what is on the menu each day. **Please do so on a regular basis.**

Parents Portal

Parents Portal is the system used by Glasgow schools. This allows parents/carers to update emergency contact details and streamlines many administration processes.

An e-mail has recently been distributed to all parents/carers to remind them about these systems and to support parents/carers new to the school to sign up/register.

Our School Motto, Vision & Values

Here in St. Clare's everyone matters. Guided by *A Charter for Catholic schools*, we nurture children to follow God's path so that they feel safe, happy & valued and have the opportunity to be the best that they can be. Inspired by our faith in Christ and together with parents, parish and community we aim for each person to reach their full potential in body, mind, heart and spirit which is encapsulated in our school culture & motto:

'All Together Every Day, Partnership In Every Way.'



Our school Vision is:
'Believe and You Will Achieve'

Our School Values are:
Love, Learning, Friendship, Fun and Respect



Diary Dates

8th December: Christmas Jumper Day, Class Parties & Santa Visit.

12th December: Nativity Show 1 (pm)

13th December: Nativity Show 2 (pm)

15th December: Christmas Fair

Maths Week Scotland 2023



Maths Week Scotland (25.09.23-01.10.23) is a celebration of the importance of maths in our everyday lives. Maths is all around us and we will uncover the maths we take for granted in our lives and help pupils see maths in a whole new light.

Flu Vaccinations

The flu vaccine is offered to all primary school aged children in Scotland. **A local NHS team will visit St. Clare's on Tuesday 10th October.** Further information to follow.



Vision Screening

Vision screening for all P7 pupils will take place on the morning of Thursday 7th September.



Childsmile Toothbrushing

Daily toothbrushing sessions will commence this term for our P1 and P2 pupils. Toothbrushes etc. provided by St. Clare's and kept in school.

Follow us on Twitter

St Clare's has an active Twitter page which is a great way for us to share with you the goings on in school throughout the year.

Please follow @StClaresDrum



School Photographs

A photographer will visit St. Clare's on **Thursday 24th August** to take individual, family and class photographs. Please ensure that your child attends school wearing his/her full school uniform.

Pupil Absence Reporting

If your child has an appointment e.g. dental or doctor or is unwell and will be absent from school, you should **call the Glasgow City Council Absence Reporting Line on 0141-287-0039.**

Visit our School Website

Our school website provides parents/carers and visitors to our school with lots of useful information. You can access it [here](#).

