

St Louise Primary School

Summer Newsletter



School News

We have been very busy here in St Louise Primary over this last term and here is a snapshot of some of the things we have been involved in:



- Thank you to all our families and staff for celebrating 'Wear it Blue for Damu' with us and for raising the amazing amount of £415.46 and we were delighted to have a representative from Mary's Meals with us at assembly to share with us all the work that the organisation do.
- P1-P4 had a successful trip to the Kelvingrove Museum and we thank all the parent/carer helpers who joined us on the day.
- P6 worked with Young Enterprise Scotland on a Circular Economy workshop which was a great opportunity to find out about the financial workings of an economy.
- We have looked closely at different aspects of Fairtrade over the last fortnight to improve our knowledge and understanding of this important area.
- We celebrated a lovely World Book Day looking at authors, illustrators, scripts and more to remember all the wonderful things about books and stories.
- P6 continue to enjoy their swimming lessons and will complete 12 weeks in total by the end of this term.
- Thank you to all our families who supported our charity fundraising efforts – we raised £161.05 for our charities and £98.48 for SCIAF with our P6 Talented Fundraisers café.
- P2 have completed their multi-sports sessions and this will now move down into P1.
- Well done to our P7s who completed the recent SLC cross country in Strathaven Park.
- Our P6 Euro quiz team attended the SLC heat in Newton Farm Primary and were an absolute credit to the school.
- Our P6 girls, who represented us at the Calderglen Dance Festival, showcased their fabulous artistic dance skills and were a joy to watch.
- The P4 Lego club has been a great success and the boys from St Andrew's and St Bride's are keen to continue with this for the rest of this school session.
- Our Talent Show was a great success and it is always so lovely to see the wonderful talent and skills of our children.

SNSA

As part of the Scottish Government's National Improvement Framework, our P1, P4 and P7 pupils will take part in the Scottish National Standardised Assessments over the month of May along with any of our school-based assessments. If you would like any further information on this please visit the parents/carers section of the website at <https://standardisedassessment.gov.scot/parents-and-carers/> and if you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school.



Confirmation and First Holy Communion

As you know, our P7 children are making their Confirmation on Thursday 25th April and our P4 children are making their First Holy Communion on Saturday 18th May and we ask that you keep them in your thoughts and prayers during this time.



School Summer Fair

Our Parent Staff Group will have the annual Summer Fair on **the evening of Friday 14th June**. Please come along and support us.

We will have a Dress Down Day in the school on Friday 17th May and would ask any children who can, to bring along raffle and tombola donations for the Fair. We will gratefully accept all donations across this term and these can be handed into the school office.

Each session there will be information on the meeting dates and minutes in the parent section of the school website. Everyone is welcome, and we really do need your help. All parents/carers are considered to be members of the group. We look forward to seeing you there and will make you feel very welcome.

If interested, please contact St.LouisePSG@gmail.com for more information or visit the parent section of our school website.



PSG St Louise Feast Day Disco

Our Parent and Staff Group have organised the annual St Louise Feast Day Disco in our school hall for **Thursday 9th May** and children are asked to bring a non-perishable food item as entry to the disco. These will be donated to our local foodbank.

P1-4 will have their disco from 6.00 - 7.00pm
P5-7 will have their disco from 7.15 - 8.15pm



Gym Shoes

To ensure children are able to fully participate in PE lessons and from a safety aspect, could I please ask that you check your children's gym shoes throughout the school session and replace them when they have become too small or have become damaged from wear and tear. Teaching staff will also encourage children to bring them home and to let you know when new shoes are needed.

Safety First

For Health & Safety reasons jewellery should not be worn on gym days. If you cannot remove your child's earrings, could I ask that you provide him/her with plasters to cover them. Also, a gentle reminder that our PE kit is a **white t-shirt** and **royal blue shorts or plain black, blue or grey leggings/tracksuit bottoms**.



Wider Achievement Wall

Thank you for your support in continuing to build our St Louise Wider Achievement Wall. We are all very proud of their achievements. **Remember if your child has done something out with school which you feel deserves recognition please complete the online form available from the school website and send any pictures into the school office.**



St Andrew's Hospice/Kilbryde Hospice Fundraising

During the month of June all classes will take part in a range of activities including a Teddy Bear's Tea Party, a Wear Yellow Walk and Sunshine Walk to help raise funds for both Kilbryde Hospice and St Andrew's Hospice. All children will be provided with a sponsor form and all monies raised will be split between both charities. Further information on each event will be shared with children nearer the time.

P1 Transition

Our new P1 pupils for August 2024 will receive a letter in the post inviting them and their parents/carers to our induction days.

Parents' Evening / End of Year Report

Our Parents' Evening this year will held in our school. Please ensure you have access to Parent Portal as this is where you will be able to opt in for a parents' evening appointment and be able to see and read your child's end of session school report card.

Parent Portal

To access [parentsportal.scot](https://parentsportal.scot/home/) go to <https://parentsportal.scot/home/>. If you have a mygovscot account click the link to Sign In or if you don't have a mygovscot account click the link to register for a mygovscot account.

Once you have registered successfully for Parent Portal you will then be able to download the app to your mobile device.



School Uniform Orders

Our school uniforms are provided by Border Embroideries. If you wish to order online the following page has been set up.

<https://www.border-embroideries.co.uk/schools/st-louise-primary-school.html>

Please note that you are able to buy school uniform from any other retailer.



Gentle Reminders

We are hopeful that the recent good weather will continue over the coming months and it is lovely to see so many of our pupils wearing their full school uniform and blazers. Can I please remind you of the council and school's policy on appropriate clothing to wear in school which does not include denim jackets or leather/biker jackets.

Can I remind you to check your child's hair for head lice on a regular basis? The guidance suggests that parents/carers should aim to check their children's hair once a week during normal hair washing.

Information leaflets with useful advice and guidance are available online. You can access useful advice from www.onceaweektakeapeek.com. Please don't hesitate to contact us if we can provide any further help.

You can help us tremendously by letting us know as soon as possible if your child is absent from school. It is also helpful if you could send in a letter to your child's class teacher to inform us of any pre-planned absences.

Can I also ask that on your child's return to school, following a period of absence, that a note is provided for the class teacher. This is necessary even if you have telephoned while your child was off as we require this information for our records.

Please bear in mind that our breakfast club starts at 8.15am and there is no adult supervision in the school until this time. **Playground supervision starts at 8.30am and only children who are attending the breakfast club should arrive at school before this time.**

All these procedures are in place to help ensure the safety of our children and I thank you in advance for your co-operation with these.

Dates for your Diary

Saturday 20 th April	10.30am P7 Confirmation St Vincent's Parish Activity Day
Monday 22 nd April	11.00 P7 Confirmation Practice
Tuesday 23 rd April	5.30pm P7 Auchengillan Information Evening
Thursday 25 th April	7.00pm P7 Confirmation – St Vincent's Church
Saturday 27 th April	10.30am P4 First Communion St Vincent's Parish Activity Day
Thursday 2 nd May	In-service Day – school not open to pupils
Friday 3 rd May	10.00am St Louise Feast Day Mass - OLOL
Monday 6 th May	School Holiday
Thursday 9 th May	P7 Retreat – School Leavers 10.00am Ascension Thursday Mass – OLOL 6.00pm – 7.00pm P1-P4 St Louise Disco 7.15pm – 8.15pm P5-P7 St Louise Disco
Tuesday 14 th May	11.00am P7 PFFA Mass – St Vincent's Church 1.20pm P4 First Communion Practice - OLOL
Wednesday 15 th May	7.00pm Parent Council (PSG) Meeting - Hybrid
Thursday 16 th May	3.15pm Parents' Evening
Friday 17 th May	Dress Down Day – Summer Fair raffle/tombola donation welcome
Saturday 18 th May	12noon P4 First Communion – OLOL
Monday 20 th May – Thursday 23 rd May	P7 Auchengillan
Friday 24 th and Monday 27 th May	School Holidays
Wednesday 29 th May	9.15am Find Out Wednesday P7 Open Evening – STA&STBs – St Louise (Session 1 at 6.00pm) Parents/Carers and Pupils
Thursday 30 th and Friday 31 st May	P7 Induction Days
Week beginning 3 rd June	St Louise Sports Day (Day TBC)
Tuesday 11 th June	1.30pm P7 Leavers' Assembly (TBC)
Wednesday 12 th June	P4-7 Wear Yellow Sunshine Walk and P1-3 Teddy Bears' Picnic
Friday 14 th June	6.00pm-8.00pm Summer Fair
Tuesday 18 th June	1.30pm P7 Leavers' Mass (TBC)
Wednesday 26 th June	1.00pm School Closes

Holiday

Please note that the school will close on **Wednesday 26th June at 1.00pm**. On behalf of all the staff and pupils here in St Louise Primary, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support and partnership working this year, and to wish you all a safe and happy summer holiday.

Yours sincerely

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