

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:



- All classes from P1 – P5 have benefited from the lunchtime multisport club.
- P7s provided a lunchtime STEM club for P5s, and our STEM Leaders provided support to our P4 class. All who participated enjoyed the experience.
- Several of our classes have received tennis, cricket, karate and rugby sessions as part of their PE lessons.
- Our extra-curricular clubs continue this term, and many children will take part in the associated festivals.
- Parents/carers will have received their child's snapshot jotter and we hope they enjoyed seeing the range of activities and learning shared across that week.
- Thank you to everyone who participated in our 'Wear it Blue for Damu Day' and the P7s for running such a successful event and raising the magnificent amount of £355.
- P6 are enjoying their swimming sessions, and these will run until nearly the end of term 4.
- World Book Day was a lovely celebration of favourite authors and literacy activities throughout the day.
- Well done to all the children who took part in the recent Cross Country, one of our pupils came in the top 10 and went on to run in the regional finals.
- Thank you to all those who attended Find Out Thursday, as always, it was a great opportunity to share in your children's learning.
- Thank you to all our families for supporting the Hospice Heroes Day and collectively we raised £174.62.
- World Book Day was a great success and it was lovely to see the children coming to school with their favourite book and being able to discuss why they chose it.
- Well done to all the P7s who took part in the Cross-Country event.
- Thank you to everyone who participated in our Lenten charities fundraising, we had great fun raising money for such good causes.
- Well done to our school dancers who were absolutely amazing at the recent dance festival in Calderglen High.

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.



First Holy Communion

As you know, our P4 children are making their First Holy Communion on Saturday 9th May and we ask that you keep them in your thoughts and prayers during this time.



School Summer Fayre

Our Parent Staff Group will have the annual Summer Fayre on **the evening of Friday 5th June**. Please come along and support us.

We will have a Dress Down Day in the school on Thursday 21st May and would ask any children who can, to bring along raffle and tombola donations for the Fayre. 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 11th June** and children are asked to bring a non-perishable food item as entry to the disco. These will be donated to our local foodbank. A letter will be issued to pupils with further information and we would ask that you return the tear off slip to the school with emergency contact details and any other relevant information for that night. Children will enter through the dining room door on the night and should bring their own water bottle with them. There will also be a tuck shop available on the night for children to buy snacks if they wish. At the end of each disco, parents/carers will be invited to enter the gym hall by the P4 door, collect your child and leave through the main entrance door. Parent Council members will be on hand to direct.

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

On Tuesday 26th May, 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. Further information on each event will be shared with children nearer the time.

P1 Transition

Our new P1 pupils for August 2026 have received an email inviting them and their parents/carers to our induction days.

Parents' Evening / End of Year Report

Our Parents' Evening is 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.

If you have any difficulties accessing Parents Portal or are unable to sign up, please contact the school office.

School Uniform Orders

Our school uniform is available to order online and the following page has been set up.

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



Please note that you are also 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 includes appropriate outdoor jacket/blazer.

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.

In St Louise, children are not permitted to use mobile phones or any personal digital devices that can take pictures, send messages or make phone calls.

When children bring these devices to school they must be switched off and kept in their bags.

When pupils are found to be using these devices and not following the school policy on this, they will need to leave their device at the school office in the morning and then collect it at the end of the school day.

Pupils who bring expensive items like this into school, do so at their own risk.

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.

Road Safety

Our school was recently visited by SLC's transport department and a traffic management audit carried out. We continue to see parents/carers not following the school safety guidance around drop off and pick up.

Can I ask that you bring the following areas picked up by the audit to the attention of those who are responsible for drop off and pick up.

Please ensure that a blue disabled badge is clearly visible when using the disabled spaces at the front of the school.

Please do not double park on Whitehills Terrace or in the yellow box area outside the school entrance gate.

Please remain in your car park space until all cones have been removed and the janitor is safely on the pavement before starting your engine and pulling out of the space.

Liquid Filled Squishy Fidgets

We would like to remind everyone that liquid filled squishy fidgets should not be brought into school from home. We have had a recent increase in children bringing these to school and the items have burst and become a health and safety hazard to others.



Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 5 th – Friday 8 th May	P7 Auchengillan Residential Trip
Tuesday 5 th May	1.20pm P4 First Communion Practice OLOL
Thursday 7 th May	In-service Day – Schools Closed to Pupils
Friday 8 th May	Dress Down Day for St Louise Feast Day
Saturday 9 th May	10.00am P4 First Communion – Our Lady of Lourdes Church
Thursday 14 th May	10.00am Ascension Mass - OLOL 3.15pm Parents' Evening
Thursday 21 st May	Dress Down Day – donations for Parent Council Summer Fayre Raffle St Louise Book Fair – All Books £1
Tuesday 26 th May	Wear Yellow/Sunshine Walk and Teddy Bears' Tea Party 6.00-7.00pm P7 Parent/Carer and Pupil Information Evening – STA&STBs
Wednesday 27 th May Thursday 28 th May	P7 Induction Days at STA&STBs
Thursday 28 th May	1.30pm New P1s Starting in August – Induction Day 1
Tuesday 2 nd June	10.00am P7 PFFA Mass – Pupils Only 1.30pm New P1s Starting in August – Induction Day 2
Thursday 4 th June	St Louise Sports Day
Friday 5 th June	6.00-8.00pm St Louise Summer Fayre
Monday 8 th June	11.30am New P1s Starting in August – Lunch
Tuesday 9 th June	1.30pm P7 Leavers' Mass in school
Thursday 11 th June	St Louise Feast Day Summer Disco 6.00-7.00pm P1-P4 7.15-8.15pm P5-P7
Monday 15 th June	Extra Bank Holiday – Schools Closed
Tuesday 16 th June	1.15pm P7 Leavers' Assembly
Friday 19 th June	P3 & P4 Summer Trip – Clyde Valley Family Park
Monday 22 nd June	P1 & P2 Summer Trip – Clyde Valley Family Park
Tuesday 23 rd June	P5, P6 & P7 Summer Trip – Clyde Valley Family Park
Thursday 25 th June	1.00pm Schools close for Summer

Holiday

Please note that the school will close on **Thursday 25th 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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