

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: TONY McDAID**

**Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School**

**Head Teacher: Mrs Eileen Brady**

**April 2019**

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you had a lovely Spring break and very much enjoyed the lovely weather throughout the Easter weekend.

I am delighted again to offer my thanks for all of the support given to raise funds during Lent for our chosen charities ‘Let the Children Live’ and ‘Kilbryde Hospice’. Working together, we managed to raise the terrific sum of £2029.66. Representatives from each charity will now be invited in to receive their cheques at our next whole school assembly.

Just a further reminder that you should now have received your child’s Report Card and that Parent Evening takes place this week on Wednesday 1st May at your allocated time. I am looking forward to welcoming you to Parents’ Evening in order that you can further engage in your child’s progress in learning.

Yours sincerely

Eileen Brady

Head Teacher

**April:**

29th – Rm 4 at Calderglen Country Park

30th – 9-10am Social Studies Visit for P7 (Session 1 of 2)

**May:**

1st – 10.45am Nurse in for P1 (Height/weight checks)

1st - pm Rotary Quiz (4xP7s)

**1st – PARENTS’ EVENING**

2nd – P5 Swimming (ongoing – not Ascension Thursday)

2nd – ‘Chick Tea’ with P1 Parents (Living Eggs Project)

2nd – South Lanarkshire Council 6-9pm Parents as Partners Conference (Banqueting Hall, Hamilton)

3rd – 10am First Friday Mass (All welcome)

6th – May Holiday (School closed)

7th – Staff Development Day (School closed to pupils)

**8th - 6.15pm – 8pm Family Learning Event: Online Safety (with Police Officer Black)/SHANARRI Wellbeing**

8th – Rm 3 Educ. Outing – Pollock Fire Station/Rouken Glen

9th – Netball 12-2.30pm

10th – Athletics – 9.20-2.30pm (John Wright Sports’ Centre)/P1-3 Toothbrushing

13th, 14th, 16th – Handball Taster Sessions

14th – 9-10am Social Studies Visit for P7 (Session 2 of 2)

15th – P7 organising Spanish Café for St. Louise P5 chn

17th – Barclays Financial Life Skills Workshops

**Sun 19th May at 1pm – Sacrament of the Eucharist (P4)**

Week beginning 20th – Walk to School Week

20th –P1 Educational Trip to Summerlee Heritage Centre

20th P7 parent evening in St A and St B

**21st & 22nd – P1 and P7 Induction Days (Changed from 22nd and 23rd due to European Elections)**

24th and 27th – May Holiday

28th – Football Competition (All day)

29th – P7 Leavers’ Photos 9.30am

30th – Ascension Thursday Mass (No swimming for P5)

30th – Beach Party Discos (PTA)

* 31st – RE AGM (HT out)/PTA Event Summer Fayre (P7 pupil attending to meet chn)

Dates for your diary

***PARENT VOICE:*** *We are always interested in listening to any comments that you have about our school. As part of our ongoing consultation process, if you have any suggestions to help move our school forward, please complete and tear off the speech bubble below and give it to your child to return to their class teacher. Thank you!*

**Our Lady of Lourdes: Parent Voice**

I suggest…

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| **Educational Outings**  All of our classes have now taken part in or have arranged their **educational outing** linked to one of their topics this year. This really helps to improve depth of learning for the children.  Once again, thank you to our PTA whose efforts with fundraising has helped to subsidize the buses throughout the year. | | | |
| Rm | Educational Visit | Topic |
| 1 | Summerlee Heritage Centre | Vintage Toys |
| 2 | Summerlee Heritage Centre | Vintage Toys |
| 3 | Pollok Fire Station/Rouken Glen | People who help us |
| 4 | Calderglen Country Park | Minibeasts |
| 5 | Stirling Castle | Knights and Castles |
| 7 | Robert Burns Museum | Robert Burns |
| 8 | Riverside Museum/Kelvingrove/Open Top Bus Tour | Glasgow |
| 9 | Resource Centre, Glasgow | Glasgow/Madrid |
| 10 | Scotland Street/Transport Museum | Victorians |
| 11 | Riverside Museum/Kelvingrove/Open Top Bus Tour | Scotland |
| 12 | Summerlee Heritage Centre | The Sixties |
| 13 | People’s Palace | World War 2 |

**Family Learning Event**

**Key Primary 7 Leavers’ Dates in June**

**‘Save the Date’**

13th – 10am P7 Pope Francis Faith Award Mass in Our Lady of Lourdes Church (Award chn only)

18th - 1.30pm P7 Leavers’ Mass/Assembly in OLOL School

20th – P7 End of Year Event for Pupils (Evening) – venue to be confirmed

26th – 10am End of Year Mass (with the whole school) led by P7

We have organised a Family Learning Event for Parents/Carers on **Wednesday 8th May**. The format of the evening will be as follows:

* 6.15pm-7pm Online/Technology Safety (with Police Officer Black);
* *7-7.15pm Tea/Coffee break;*
* 7.15pm-8pm Gaining a Shared Understanding of Wellbeing (SHANARRI) led by our Parent Council.

We hope that you will find this evening very beneficial in helping you to keep your child safe when using various types of technologies (including mobile phones) as well as helping us to formulate a shared understanding of wellbeing within our school. We look forward to welcoming you to this event.

**Reminders…**

**Spring Sun:** Now that we are into our final term and the sun seems to be coming out on occasions, can I please remind you to send your child with already applied sun cream and a sun hat?Thank you.

**School Uniform:** In the lovely weather, your child is able to wear navy/blue school checked summer dresses or navy tailored school shorts; however, items of clothing such as leggings are not part of the school uniform and should not be worn. Thank you for your support with this.

**School Trips:** We are in the process of organising our summer trips which take place in June – dates will be given as soon as they have been confirmed.

**Twitter:** Since introducing Twitter at the beginning of the school year, we have been using it more and more to share aspects of the ethos and life of the school. Unlike the school website, it is very easy and quick to add photographs to as well as share information with parents/staff who have been accepted onto the site. Please remember that you will only be accepted if we recognise your Twitter handle. In order for us to do this, please contact the school office detailing your handle or hand in a note to your child’s class teacher. We have had lots of positive comments about the information shared so far. Thank you for your kind comments.

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