

### **All Saints Day**

We will celebrate Mass on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November at for All Saints Day. Unfortunately, we are unable to invite any parents / carers to join us for this Mass, as we need all the space for the pupils.

### **Mission Fundraising**

We raised £220 for Missio. Thank you all for your support.

### **Poppies**

From Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November until Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November Primary 7 pupils will be selling after lunchtime all week to pupils. A donation for the poppy would be grateful appreciated to support the work of the Scottish Poppy Appeal.

### **School Closed**

The school will be closed on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November for staff in service.

### **Parent/ Carer Open Afternoon**

As part of our work on Catholic Education Weeks (16<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> November), we are holding a prayer service on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November from 2.15pm. Following the service you will have the opportunity to visit your child's class and see some the work that is being done in relation to developing the Catholic faith. This is not a reporting event and teachers will not discuss your child's progress at this time.

### **Santa's Grotto**

We are having a special visitor on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November from 10.00 to 1.00pm. Santa will be in his Grotto from 10.00am to 1.00pm. We will be selling some Christmas items and there will be Christmas activities for the children to do. A detailed letter with further information and ticket prices will be issued shortly.

### **St Vincent De Paul**

They have approached me to offer help to any family who might be in financial difficulty this Christmas. Please contact me before Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November; all enquiries will be in strict confidence.

### **Christmas Dress Down Day**

On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December, we are having a non-uniform day. The children can wear their own clothes or wear something Christmas themed. No football strips or inappropriate clothing.

**Please do not buy anything new for this.**

### **Christmas Parties**

**All Primary 1 and 2 pupils** will have their party on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December in the afternoon and a special visitor who should arrive at 1.30pm. Parents and carers are welcome to come along at 1.30pm to see the visitor.

**All Primary 3 to 4 pupils** will have their party in the afternoon on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December.

**All Primary 5 to 7 pupils** will have their party on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December in the afternoon.

The children can come dressed to school in their party clothes or you can collect them at 12.00 to take them home to change into their party clothes but all children must be back in school before 1.00pm.

To comply with the Health and Nutrition Act your child will have a treat of juice, crisps, chocolate and cake at the Christmas parties.

### **Attendance**

If your child is not able to attend School for any reason, please inform the School in person or by telephoning. If you do not contact the School, then a member of staff will telephone to enquire why your child is not attending School. If you know that, your child will be absent beforehand due to appointments, holidays etc. please put it in writing to your child's teacher. This procedure is in line with South Lanarkshire Council's policy on attendance.

### **P.E. Times**

**Please ensure that your child has the correct PE kit. Copy of the PE timetable is on the website.**

**P.E. kit consists of red polo shirt, black shorts and gym/training shoes. No jewellery should be worn on a PE day for health & safety reasons, and no football strips or shorts. Earrings must be removed on PE days.**

### **Credit union**

The Credit Union will be here every second week on Wednesday mornings for the children. This is a great way to encourage your child to save. Dates for this term are 13<sup>th</sup> November 27<sup>th</sup> November and 11<sup>th</sup> December.

### **Clothing**

Please make sure that your child's belongings are **clearly labelled with his/her name**. Please reapply regularly as it can wash/wear off.

### **Free Clothing and School Lunch forms**

If you are receiving benefits, you may be entitled to financial help towards the cost of school uniform and lunches. You can get them from the local Q and A office or apply on line.

Please remember to reapply for this support.

### **Shoes**

Please can you ensure that your child has a pair of indoor shoes. This will help to keep the school tidy.

For health and safety reasons it is important that your child has indoor gym shoes for his/her P.E. activities.

### **School Meals**

This week we are on Menu 1 (28.10.19) of the new winter menu.

### Car Park

**Just a reminder to all parents/ carers in the interest of the children's safety please do not park on the yellow zigzag lines outside the school and do not use the car park gates to enter the School grounds.**

### Visitors

Please use the Main door entrance to come into and leave the School during the school day. Thank you.

### Headlice

Please check your child's head regularly for headlice and treat as appropriate. Support and advice about this can be sought from pharmacists. Please inform the school if you find any lice.

**Nut Free** St Charles' is a nut free zone

### Dates for your Diary

Whole school	Dress up Parties	31/10/19
Whole School	Holy day of Obligation All Saint's Feast Day Mass	1/11/19
Some Primary 7 & 6 pupils	Football Festival	4/11/19
Primary 6, 6/7 & 7	Explore Learning Workshop	5/11/19
Primary 5	Swimming	5/11/19
Some Primary 6 & 7 pupils	Netball	5/11/19
Primary 5	Last swimming session	12/11/19
Primary 4A & 4B	Explore Learning Workshop	12/11/19
Primary 5 & 5 / 6	Explore Learning Workshop	13/11/19
Primary 6, 6/7 & 7	Explore Learning Workshop	14/11/19
Primary 4A	Assembly @9.15am	15/11/19
Whole School	Catholic Education Weeks	16 – 30 /11/19
Whole School	Closed for In-service Day 3	18/11/19
Whole School	Closed for In-service Day 4	19/11/19
Whole School	Prayer Service / Parent Open Afternoon @2.15pm	20/11/19
Whole School	Santa Grotto 10.00am -1.00pm	23/11/19
Primary 3 & 4	Reconciliation & Communion Enrolment Mass in St Cadoc's Parish @11.30	1/12/19
Whole School	Last week for clubs	2/12/19
Whole School	Photograph catch up day	2/12/19
Primary 1	Nativity at 2.00pm	3/12/19
Primary 2 to 6	Christmas Concert in the morning	5/12/19
Primary 1 & 7	Dental Inspection	6/12/19
Whole School	Christmas Dress Down Day	6/12/19
Primary 7	Christmas Panto in the morning	10/12/19

### School Telephone

### Parents/ Carers Views

Please feel free to make a comment or a suggestion below or email the school office gw14stcharlesoffice@glow.sch.uk

Name –

Comment / Suggestion –

# St Charles' Primary



## Newsletter 4 November 2019

### Parent Council Meetings

The meeting will take place on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 6.00pm in the school. All parents are welcome and we will be looking for new members. The dates for future meetings are as follows 5<sup>th</sup> February, 6<sup>th</sup> May and 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

### School Website

The website address is <http://www.st-charles-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk/>

We will use the website as the main form where information/copies of letters that have been sent home and Newsletters will be posted on the website to cut down on the amount of paper we use and to lower our carbon footprint. Therefore, the newsletters will only be posted on the website and not sent out in paper form.

If this is not suitable for you, please telephone the school office and request a paper copy to be sent home.

### School App

Please download the school were you will be able to find out about our events, news and receive important messages from us

**School Twitter** Please follow us @StCharlesNewton This is a no reply Twitter account.

### Facebook Page

Please search for our Facebook Page as St Charles Primary School, Newton and follow us. This page will keep you up to date with events and what is going on in the school.