



## Newsletter



# January 2024

## Our Lady of Peace Primary

### **Dear Parents/Carers,**

Welcome back! I hope you had a lovely time over the holiday period and I wish you lots of health and happiness for 2024.

It's great to see the children return, in uniform, settled and raring to go! The staff are ready for a very busy, long term of teaching and learning to ensure good progress for our pupils. Your continued support in this aim is very much appreciated.

### **Key Dates for Term 3**

**Further information about these events will follow, nearer the time. Some after school clubs and family learning events are still to be confirmed too, for Term 3.**

- 8<sup>th</sup> January schools return and YMI music tutor for P1s restarts this week.
- 11<sup>th</sup> January Mass at 9.30am (re. Feast of the Epiphany 7<sup>th</sup> January) Please join us if you can.
- 17<sup>th</sup> January Credit Union restarts
- 17<sup>th</sup> January WISTEM (Women in STEM) after school, Coding Club starts for P5-7
- 25<sup>th</sup> January P6s visit to St Andrew's Secondary 9-11.30am
- 29<sup>th</sup> January Additional Support Needs information meeting 2pm with Miss Black, DHT.
- Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January Parent Council meeting 4.45- 5.45pm - please join us
- 30<sup>th</sup> January EAL Coffee morning meeting with Ms. Akhtar EAL teacher.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> February Tea Party for HT certificate winners
- 6<sup>th</sup> February Football at Stepford after school
- 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> February Mid Term holiday
- 13<sup>th</sup> February Shrove Tuesday
- 14<sup>th</sup> February in service day- school closed to pupils.
- 14<sup>th</sup> February Ash Wednesday
- 18<sup>th</sup> February First Sunday of Lent
- 20<sup>th</sup> February Football at Stepford after school
- 26<sup>th</sup> February Parent Council meeting 4.45-5.45pm. Please come along.
- 27<sup>th</sup> February Sense over Sectarianism workshops for P7s start
- 1<sup>st</sup> March Tea Party for HT certificate winners
- 5<sup>th</sup> March Girls Football at Stepford after school
- 7<sup>th</sup> March World Book Day
- 7<sup>th</sup> March Mass for Lent

- 8<sup>th</sup> March Ladies' Day Tea by P2 and P3 children (Mothering Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March)
- 16<sup>th</sup> March (Saturday) Reconciliation for P3s
- 19<sup>th</sup> March Football at Stepford after school
- 24<sup>th</sup> March Palm Sunday with Holy week following
- 25<sup>th</sup> March Parent Council meeting 4.45-5.45pm. Please come along.
- 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> March Parents' Evenings
- 28<sup>th</sup> March school closes 2.30pm for Easter holiday period.
- 28<sup>th</sup> March Holy Thursday of the Lord's Supper
- 29<sup>th</sup> March Good Friday of the Passion of Our Lord
- 31<sup>st</sup> March Easter Sunday
- 15<sup>th</sup> April school reopens for term 4

## Read, Write and Count and Bookbug workshops

Parents and carers most welcome and a letter of invite will be issued separately.

- P1a and P1b - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024 9.15am - 10.15am in the dinner hall/classrooms
- P2 - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024 - 1.30pm - 2.30pm in the dinner hall
- P3/2 - Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024 - 9.15am - 10.15am in the dinner hall
- P3 - Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024 1.30pm - 2.30pm in the dinner hall
- P3s from P4/3 will join the P3 session on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February pm.

## Attendance and Late coming

At Our Lady of Peace primary, attendance levels are monitored and discussed regularly due to their importance in ensuring a child's progress.

The school complies with the Education department's guidance to Headteachers on managing attendance levels. This entails issuing letters of varying levels of concern, (Letters 1 to 4), if matters remain unresolved /worsen. Letters are usually issued on a termly basis.

I ask that you send your child to school, if healthy and well.

Regular, repeated absence has such a negative impact on a child staying on track; much learning can be lost.

Family holidays during term time will lead to an attendance level dropping and gaps developing, potentially.

If you wish to discuss further, please just get in touch.

Attendance Hotline to report your child's absence from school-  
[www.glasgow.gov.uk/pupilabsence](http://www.glasgow.gov.uk/pupilabsence) or call 0141 287 0039

Our school values: Safety, Respect, Learning and Faith – please take time to discuss with your child.

### **WISTEM (Women in Stem) Coding Club**

This is a great opportunity to encourage our P5-7 girls to participate in STEM activities. Letters to apply for a place will be issued soon and we anticipate a good level of interest so please return early. The club will run from 3-4pm on the following dates:

January 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>.

February 7<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>.

### **Staffing**

Our school role sits currently at 301 pupils, a recent increase compared to the start of term and we are staffed accordingly.

It is with a tinge sadness that I advise you that Mrs Momoh, acting Principal Teacher, will be leaving at the end of January to start a new post, as acting Depute Headteacher. We will miss her very much and she will be a big loss to the school. Congratulations Mrs Momoh and all the very best in your new role...you will be just great!

I will keep you updated on any developments in filling the vacancy.

Mr Murphy will continue in the P7 class until Mrs Hughes' return.

Kindest regards

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