



ST.FILLAN'S P.S.

## Newsletter Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

We appreciate all the support and understanding that we have received from our school community since our return after the summer holidays. We are mindful that while we have made significant progress in now adapting and managing our way through the pandemic, the virus is still here. It is important that we continue to work together to keep everyone safe. Please take time to read this week's newsletter to keep updated with our latest information especially while some of our children and families are isolating for periods of time.

### Google class

If isolating, all children in P2 3 5 6 and 7 should access home isolation packs on google classroom that were set up last year.

P1 and P3 are currently being moved on to new stages please be patient in the interim as short periods of isolation from both staff and pupils are having an impact on our school community. We will continue to do our best to assist you as quickly as possible.

P1 Parents we will be in touch over the next week with log in details.

### Homework will be set on your individual child's google classroom soon.

Mrs Gibb is fully class committed this year and we are appealing to you to carefully manage your school technology as we no longer have a member of staff dedicated to and responsible for technical issues. We will of course do whatever we can to assist if things go wrong.

At the start of this term the Glow team at Education Scotland reset all Glow passwords for all Scottish pupils. This has resulted in pupils experiencing difficulties accessing Glow. Please bear with us as we set up passwords for pupils. New passwords will match Sumdog passwords with a space between the word and number.

**e.g. if your child's password was:**

water87

**it will be changed to:**

water 87

### Covid Update

Pupils who display any coronavirus symptoms should not attend school and should follow NHS advice, self-isolate and book a PCR test. Parents are requested to keep the school informed of any pupil positive cases by contacting the school office.

Pupils who need to self-isolate if they are identified as a prolonged close contact e.g. same household, overnight stays will now be contacted directly by Test and Protect and **not by the school**. Test and Protect will advise on the procedure to follow on self-isolation and PCR testing. Close contacts who are asymptomatic will be asked to self-isolate until they have received a negative PCR test.

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### Reporting your child's absence

The procedure for reporting your child's absence is through the absence line. The absence line for reporting is 0141 471 3710 or 0141 287 0039 Please provide the details requested by the operator. Details are found on <https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=18832>

**Should the absence be COVID related please inform the school office directly as per previous arrangements. Please do not use the Form system to report any COVID related absence from now on as the leadership team are no longer managing test and protect procedures.**

We are continuing to monitor late comings to school as continued and regular late coming has a massive detrimental impact on a child education. We will now send out a form for any late comings so we can monitor the reasons and see if there is anyway that we can support you in getting your child to school on time.

### School Uniform

Thank you so much for your support in ensuring our pupils are wearing full school uniform. They are looking so smart. We have a small supply of pre-loved uniforms in the school so please contact us and we can see if we have anything suitable.

Some families may be entitled to free clothing and school meal grants and information on this can be obtained from the following address.

<https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=17519>

### PE

Here is a reminder of our PE days. Until further notice PE kit can be worn to school on these days.

P1a Mrs Igoe	Wednesday	Friday
P1b Mrs Coyle	Wednesday	Friday
P2a/1c Mrs Paxton	Tuesday	Friday
P2b Miss Tinney	Wednesday	Thursday
P2c Mrs Mills	Wednesday	Friday
P3a Miss Foley	Wednesday	Friday
P3b Ms McGuinness	Wednesday	Thursday
P4a Miss Benson	Monday	Thursday
P4b Mrs Gallagher	Monday	Thursday
P5a Mrs Brennen	Tuesday	Thursday
P5b Miss Fairley	Wednesday	Thursday
P6a/5c Mrs McAvoy	Tuesday	Friday
P6b Mrs Paterson	Tuesday	Thursday
P7a/6c Mrs Martin	Wednesday	Friday

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P7b Mrs Shearer	Friday	Wednesday
P7c Mrs Gibb	Tuesday	Wednesday

### Communicating with the school

Please remember that we are using a form system to facilitate communication. **If there is a matter of urgency** that you wish to discuss please use the link below and the matter will be addressed as soon as possible. Please do not contact us via email.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=oyzTzM4Wj0KVQTctawUZKTDuSgv3IU1OgtjeJ-xiX7JUMFZHSjRRT0JWUjJINkpOVzhKMDc5TkxYRCQIQCN0PWcu>

There are still significant COVID mitigations in place in our school meaning the Senior Leadership Team need to prioritise responses. This may mean that you may not always receive a direct response from us if your query has already been answered through either a previous communication or could be answered by your child. The Senior Leadership Team are also at the gates every day and can deal with any small queries or questions that you may have.

### Road Safety and Parking on Crompton Avenue/SCFZ Reminder

A reminder that it is not permitted to drive down Crompton Avenue between 8.30-9.15am and 2.45-3.30pm as the school is part of a school free car zone scheme run by GCC. This has been in place since session 19-20 but really only came into force in session 20-21. Please note that the Community Police have been issuing tickets throughout last session and will continue to support the school by reminding the public of the restrictions that are still in place.

### Car Park

Do not use the school carpark at any time for dropping off your child including breakfast club and after school (Exemptions for blue badge holders). Parents and children must use pedestrian areas only.

Going forward we will revert back to our monthly newsletter rather than weekly.

As always we will continue to keep you informed and updated on any significant changes through our usual communication channels. Once again thank you for all your continued support.

Mr Bourke, Head Teacher.

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