

Dates for Your Diary

FEBRUARY

Wed 1st am Primary 7 at Living to Learn Day at Banqueting Hall
11 am Primary 1, Room 2 visiting Frankie & Benny's —
Pizza Workshop

Fri 3rd 10 am Assembly - Room 6 presentation

Tues 7th pm Girls' Football Tournament

Wed 8th pm Netball Tournament
Teaching staff working with all primary schools in Learning
Community

Thu 10th Sponsored Sports Event (all day)

Mon 13th &
Tues 14th **HOLIDAY**

Wed 15th **IN-SERVICE DAY — school closed to pupils**

Tues 21st pm Rugby Training for Rooms 9, 10 and 11
pm Kerbcraft Road Safety training starts every Tuesday
afternoon for Primary 2 until 25 April 2017

Thu 23rd Food Bank visiting Room 2

Fri 24th pm Buddy Afternoon for Primary 1 and Primary 7

Tues 28th pm Rugby Training for Rooms 9, 10 and 11

MARCH

Wed 1st Room 2 visiting Food Bank

Mon 6th Start Reading Assessments for Primary 2, 4 and 6

Tues 7th pm Girls' Football Tournament
pm Rugby Training for Rooms 9, 10 and 11

Tues 14th pm Rugby Training for Rooms 9, 10 and 11

Wed 15th pm Netball Tournament

Fri 17th 10 am Assembly - Rooms 2, 3 and 3a presentation

Thu 23rd 3.30—5.30 pm PARENT OPEN
6.30—8.30 pm EVENING

Fri 24th 10 am Assembly - Rooms 5 and 7 presentation

Wed 29th 10 am Easter Service at St. John's Church

Fri 31st 2.30 pm School Closes for Spring Break

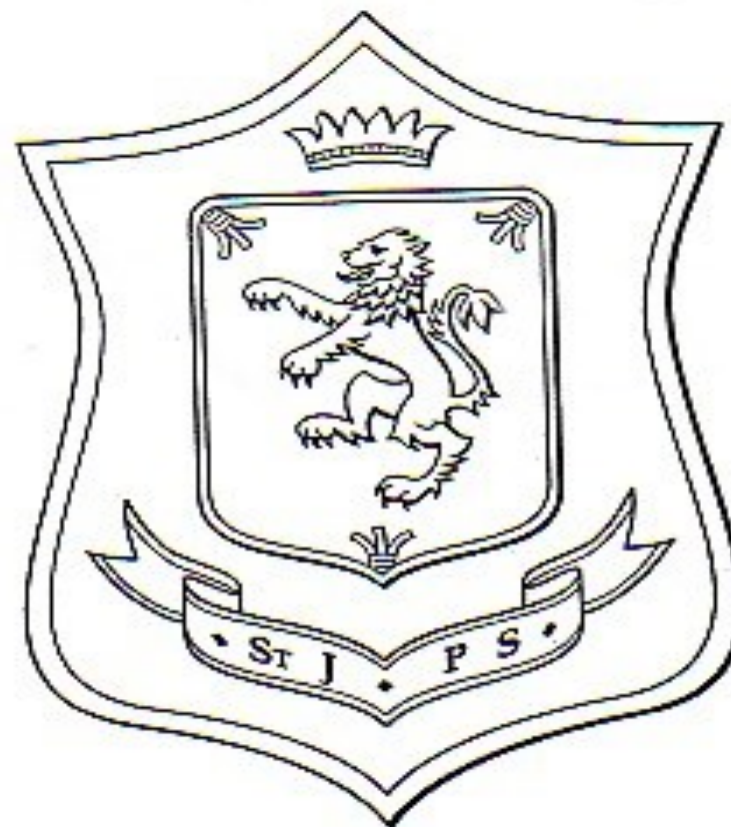
APRIL

Tues 18th 9.00 am School Re-Opens
Primary 7s leave for Auchengillan Outdoor centre

Our Primary 7 Leavers' Assembly is on Friday 23 June at 9.45 am in
the School Hall

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Happy New Year! Welcome back to our new term.

Primary 1 enrolment

This month we have enrolled our new Primary 1 pupils for starting school in August 2017. Lots of new and excited children and parents toured the school to see our children working together. Parents will be informed of placing request decision by the end of April.

Kerbcraft

Kerbcraft training for volunteers and Primary 2 pupils started this month and will continue up until the Easter holidays.

This helps our young children become more aware of dangers when outside playing, crossing the road and encourages them to make safe choices when near roads.

We want to thank all our volunteers who make this possible.



Dental Visits

Over January our Primary 1 and P7 children have had their teeth checked by NHS dental team. If any child required treatment they will have brought home a letter for parents and your dentist. The team are able to support parents who are having difficulty getting a child to the dentist by home visits, offering advice on teeth brushing and at times accompanying the child to visit the dentist. If you would like support please contact the school office for more details.

University of the West of Scotland

The UWS are working with a number of primary schools across Scotland measuring P5-P7 fitness and general health.

We have been invited to participate in the study and a Parent Information Evening was held on 24 January to find out more. We are looking forward to reading the end results and hope to use some of the evidence to improve the wellbeing of all our children.

Hamilton Grammar School Maths Challenge

Each year HGS set a maths challenge as part of our transition programme to secondary school. Our Primary 7 pupils worked in teams of 4 to solve the puzzles. It proved to be a really enjoyable afternoon.

People who help us

Our Primary 1 pupils in room 2 have started a topic all about people who help us. They have met with the community Policeman, PC Pender. He visited the class and told the P1s all about his job. The children are very excited about visiting local shops, Frankie and Benny's and a visit from the Hamilton Food Bank. All of these experiences help children to relate their learning to everyday life.

Staffing

We were very sorry to say Goodbye to Mrs Telfer who started her retirement on 16 January. Mrs Telfer would like to say thank you to everyone for all their good wishes and we hope she enjoys Australia.

We also said goodbye to Mrs Gallagher, but welcomed Miss Pinkerton to replace her.