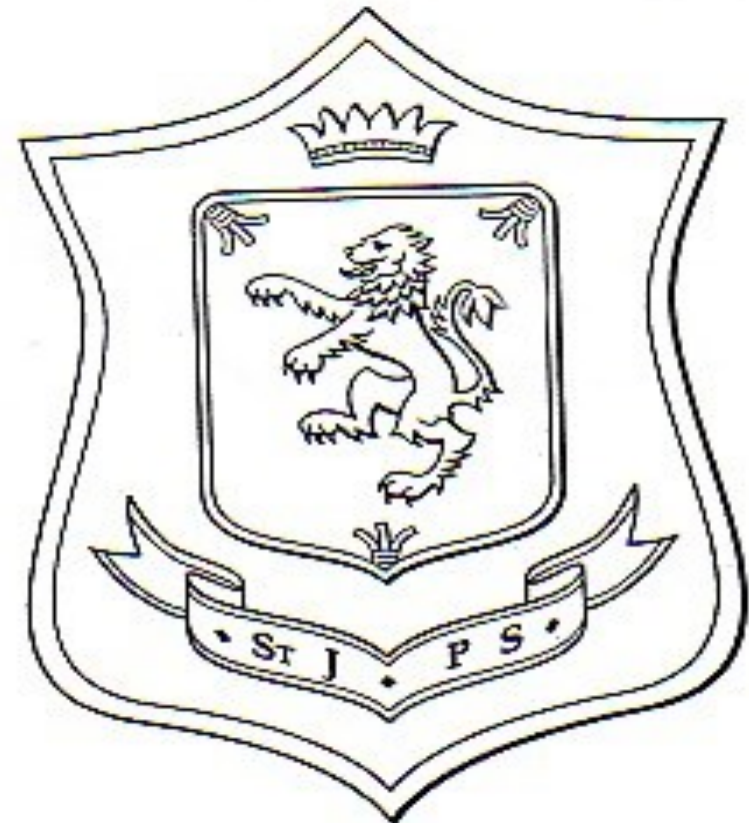


1 November	Parent appointments available to book through Parentportal.
3 October	Choir singing at Remembrance Service in Hamilton Town House 2.30-4pm.
5 November	Bonfire themed Special Lunch Menu
7 November	Invited Pupils to attend Golden Tea
8 November	Parent sign and return Xmas4schools picture
11 November	Inset Day 3, School closed to pupils. Staff visiting Woodside Primary in pm.
12 November	10 children visiting Rocca
12 November	All Xmas4schools pictures posted.
12 November	Donations can be sent to school for Parent Council raffle/ hamper prizes.
14 November	Parent's Evening 3.30-5.30pm 6.30-8.30pm
15 November	Children in Need Day- Express Yourself, non-uniform day, £1.
18 November	World of Work Week and visits across week from various local businesses.
19 November	World of Work Fayre in hall 9-12
25 November	Christmas tree and decorations go up. Theme for hall banners is Fairytale. Please return order for Christmas lunch.
28 November	Pantomime by M&M productions in hall-pm, Aladdin.

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Welcome to our October Newsletter.

We were delighted to host our Halloween Disco on Thursday 24 October. The costumes were very imaginative. Thank you to all our Parent helpers who supported the children through the night.

The Pupil Council have been busy planning for different events across the school.

The first one is Children in Need where the children have requested an Express Yourself theme with voluntary donations via Parentpay for the Children in Need appeal.

We are very much looking forward to starting our Christmas celebrations. There is a list of dates attached to the back of this newsletter to help you plan ahead.

Primary 6 have enjoyed attending a block of swimming lessons in Hamilton Aqua Palace. Thank you to our Parent helpers who have braved all weathers to walk to and from the pool. The block finishes on 14 November.

Our school choir has been meeting on Mondays in the school hall. They have learned several catchy songs and are looking forward to performing in Hamilton Town House on Sunday 3 November to help commemorate Armistice Day.

We are very pleased to welcome a PGDE student to our school they are currently supporting Room 6.

Our Active Schools co-ordinator has been working with pupils at lunchtimes and P5 after school.

Ten lucky pupils got the chance to visit Rocca's to learn about different skills needed to work in a restaurant. They made their own pizzas and brought some back to school.

We have been sharing good practice with schools in East Kilbride and Carstairs and were delighted to welcome three teachers to visit classes and talk with children and staff.

We have completed our Health and Safety Audits this month. All areas looked at in school passed well.

The auditors have made recommendations for the car park as it is still an area which can give concern.

The actions to be taken from the start of November are:

- No cars parked out with car parking spaces.
- No cars to cross the zebra crossing to enter the staff car park.
- When all spaces are filled the gates will be shut to stop drivers entering.
- Gates will only be reopened when children are safely out of the school grounds.

It was also noted that there were dogs in the playground. Only guide dogs are allowed to access any school grounds. We ask parents to be aware of this and to support us with this by not bringing dogs into the school grounds.

We were very pleased to welcome teachers from Crosshouse Primary who came to learn about what we do in St John 's for Rights Respecting Schools.

Room 13,14 and 15 Primary 7s thoroughly enjoyed walking to Chatelherault Primary School to visit their Spooky Spectacular. Thank you to our volunteers who supported us in getting there and back safely.

We had a wear bright day to highlight the importance of being seen as the nights get darker. This was organised by our Junior Road Safety Officers Archie and Anna.