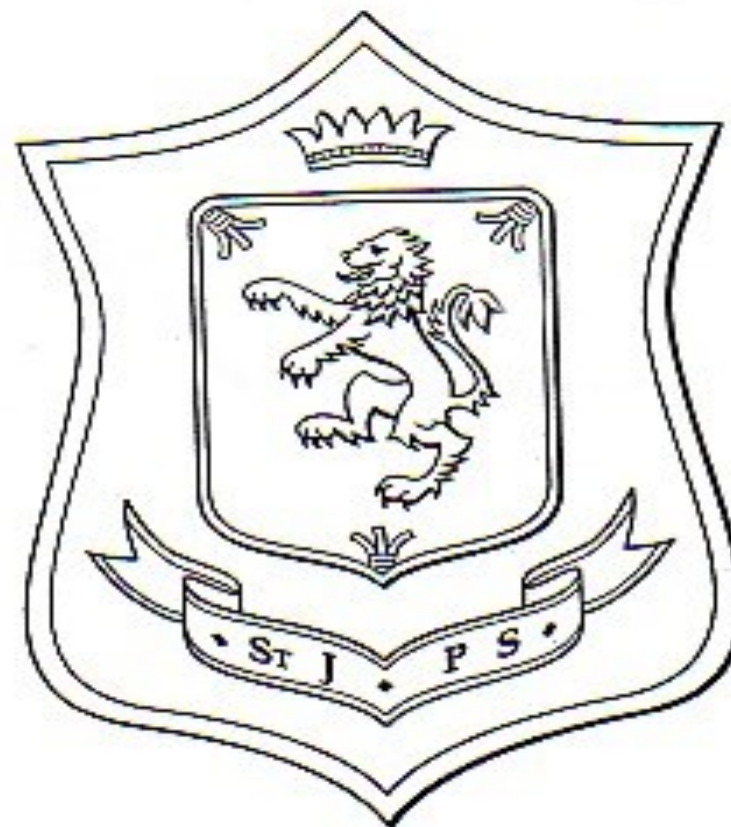


## Dates for your diary

Date	Room/ Stage	Event
2.6-6.6	Whole school	Health lessons
2.6	Room 11	After school sports with Megan
3.6	Room 5	Trip-Crazy Congo
3.6	All supported classes	Child Smile visiting classes
5.6	All pupils	Election- school closed
5.6	Room 13	Judo session at Whitehill Community Centre
6.6	Whole school	Sports day Arran and Seil 9.30-10.30 Iona and Skye 11-12
6.6	Primary 7	Party in St John's Hall
9.6	Room 11	After school sports with Megan
10.6	Invited pupils	Visit Rocca
12.6	Selected pupils	2.30pm in classes -Share a story
12.6	Whole school	Summer Disco P1-P3 6.00-7.15pm P4-P7 7.30-8.45pm
13.6	Room 7	Showcase of work
13.6	Room 4 and Room 6 P1s	Teddy Bear Picnic- pm
20.6	Whole school	P7 Leavers Service and Prize giving
25.6	Whole school	School closes at 1pm

# St John's Primary May 2025 Newsletter

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## Welcome to our May Newsletter.

We have enjoyed lots of exciting events in May and have lots to tell you about.

We have been meeting with class groups and staff to decide on the things which we want to focus upon next year to improve. We had lots of great ideas and suggestions from children and staff and have detailed below our key priorities for next session:

- Continue to build on using fluid groups to help with confidence in maths and numeracy.
- Develop out technologies further and link to Learning for Sustainability.
- Continue to develop the use of Makaton to improve communication for all learners.
- Continue to focus on raising attainment, particularly in writing.
- Further develop play in class and playground.

A Parent/ Carer google form was sent out to gather parental views. Thank you to all who have shared your thoughts, we will collate and add your ideas to the above improvements.

We are fortunate to have enough of our PEF budget to allow us to continue to employ :

- a teacher- to support learners
- An Early Years Worker- to provide Nurture and Outdoor Play
- A teacher for 1 day per week for Nurture
- Repair our trim trail
- Repaint the playground lines
- Purchase Numicon resources to support learning
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Our children have some super ideas on how to spend their part of our PEF budget.

They are interested in:

- Buying snacks for children who don't have any
- Fixing the trim trail
- More forest school and Nurture

We were delighted to welcome our new children joining us for next session in Primary 1. They had a great time meeting staff, making new friends and enjoyed a lunch in the dining hall. Our Primary 7s visited Hamilton Grammar for two days and experienced a secondary timetable.

Room 12 visited Avon bridge Care home to sing WWII songs to residents to celebrate VE Day.

Well done to our talented Primary 6 pupils.

We are hoping to build further links with the Care Home next session.

Room 13 have enjoyed visiting Whitehill

Community Centre for Judo lessons. They are very keen to share their new skills with the rest of the school.

Mrs Reilly and one of our former pupils, Nathan, Organised Bikeability for interested Primary 6 pupils. WE are very proud of all the effort put into being safe and were delighted to learn that all had passed level 2 for Bikeability.

Our senior children who take music tuition participated in an Instrumental Play Day and performed to parents at the end. Well done!

Room 8 had a super day visiting Stirling Castle. Thank you to all our helpers who came along to make the trip successful.

Our Parent Council organised our Spring Fayre and Plant stall. All the monies raised will towards supporting our children. Thank you to everyone for helping and being so generous.

Room 1 and 2 had a very bouncy and exciting trip to Crazy Congo. Again thank you to our Parent helpers.

We were pleased to welcome April from the University of the West of Scotland to talk to Primary 4 children about homework. We plan to work with April next session on a Happy Homework project.

Thank you to our Parent Council for planning a Beetle Drive for fun in the school hall.