

St-John's RC Primary School

26th August 2024



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Dates for the diary

Parent Council meeting Monday

9th September

7pm at St-John's. All are welcome specially our new P1 families! If there are any things you want added to the agenda then please let us know.

In order for the Parent council to continue they need to recruit a new Treasurer and a Fundraiser as

Colm and Claire are stepping down. A description of the roles will be circulated in due course but in the meantime if you are interested at all please get in touch with the school or with
Laura Lowden (PTA Chair)
Lauralowden@hotmail.co.uk

Thank you!

This Week

- 1 Nursery Annual Data forms will be sent home today. Please can these be checked and updated before signing and returning by 6th September.
- 2 Thank you to our new P1 families for returning the Annual Data forms. We still have a few outstanding and ask that these are returned next week please.
- 3 Nasal Flu forms. We still have several forms not returned. Please return by Monday 2nd September as the Nursing team are collecting these on Wednesday 3rd September.
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Message from Headteacher

Active Schools - Delay

Normally at this term of year, we share a timetable of classes organised by Lauren Gibson, the City of Edinburgh Council's Active Schools Coordinator. We have been made aware that there will be a delay to Term 1 classes. Further information will be shared once we receive this.

Communication

If you are contacting the school with a non-urgent enquiry, then please email admin@st-johns.edin.sch.uk. This is a tracked mailbox and you will receive a response within 2 working days.

For urgent enquiries please phone the school office on **0131-669-1363** and leave message if unanswered to allow us to return your call.

Our office foyer is very busy first thing in the morning and ask If you have any questions or concerns for the class teacher please email admin@st-johns.edin.sch.uk (Use FAO.....) to help us direct your email to the correct person.

Absence and Request for absence

If your child is unwell and will not be able to attend school, you must phone the Office on **0131-669-1363**, by **8:30am**, to let us know otherwise you will receive an absent text. The school has a rigorous policy of checking that all children are in school and will contact you directly should they fail to attend.

If your child is going to be absent for any medical appointments, please use the link to notify the school office giving at least **48hours notice** where possible.

[Pupil Appointment Notification \(office.com\)](#)

Holiday requests during term time should be put in writing to Mrs Kelly and sent to our admin address.

Lateness

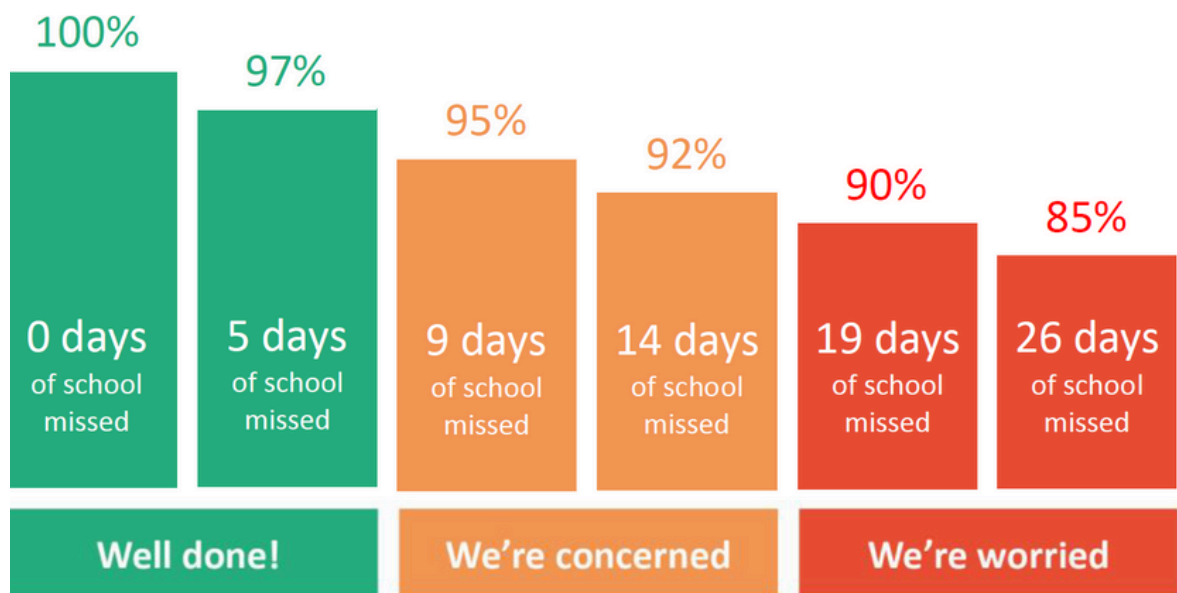
Through our regular lateness and attendance monitoring we are sending out Late texts daily to any children who are not in class by **0850**.

School gates are opened from **0840** each morning for parents to drop their children and go. At **0850** children are brought into school, they get organised for their learning and look at the plan for the day ahead. This is also a good time for your child to build up relationships with staff and friends in class.

If there is a reason why your child cannot get to school on time, please contact the school office on **0131-669-1363**. Otherwise, we look forward to seeing all our children at **0850** each day.

Mrs Kelly

Headteacher



Every day in school counts

Sometimes things happen, in or out of school, that make attending difficult.
Please speak to your child's school so that support can be offered.

Updated PE Days

PE DAYS						
	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	
P1A			Teacher		Teacher	
P1B			Teacher		Teacher	
P2/1	2s SD/teacher		1's Teacher	2's Teacher	1's Teacher	
P2A	Teacher		Teacher			
P3A		Mr Devine		Teacher		
P3B	Mr Devine	Mr Devine				
P4A	Mr Devine			Teacher		
P4B		Mr Devine	Teacher			
P5A		Mr Devine		Teacher		
P5B		Mr Devine		Teacher		
P6A	Mr Devine			Teacher		
P6B		Double slot Mr Devine		Teacher		
P7A	Mr Devine		Teacher			
P7B	Mr Devine		Teacher			

Links for Sacramental classes

Below are links to a Form for the Sacramental classes, parents should complete this to indicate they wish or do not wish their child to be presented for Reconciliation, Communion or Confirmation.

P3 Reconciliation Sacramental link

<https://forms.office.com/e/2FmYQQbZCD>

P4 Communion Sacramental link

<https://forms.office.com/e/us9fNNGhHmP7>

P7 Confirmation Sacramental link

<https://forms.office.com/e/11LLWwjpD6>

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Mass and Sacramental timetable 2024-25

Thursday 15th August	Feast of the Assumption Holiday of Obligation P3-7	St John's 10am	Prepared by Teaching Staff
Wednesday 25th September	Day of Peace Mass P3-7	St MM 10am	P7 led Mass
Sunday 27th October	P3 Reconciliation Enrolment Mass	St John's 0930	
Sunday 29th September	P4 Communion Enrolment Mass	St John's 0930	
Sunday 24th November	P7 Confirmation Enrolment Mass	St John's 0930	
Friday 1st November	All Saints Mass	St John's 1000	P6 Led Mass
Friday 22nd November	Staff Mass and Meal	St John's Parish House 1900	
Thursday 28th November	St Andrew's Day Mass	St MM 1000	P5 Led
Thursday 5th December	Advent Service	School hall 1100	P4 Led
Wednesday 11th December 2025	P1 Nativity	School	
Wednesday 15th January	St John the Evangelist Feast Day	St John's 1000	P3 Led
Wednesday 5th March	Ash Wednesday Service/Blessing	In school	House Captains
Monday 10th March	P3 Reconciliation Service	St John's 1900	
Monday 16th June	P7 Confirmation Service	St John's	
1st 8th 22nd June	P4 First Holy Communions	St MM 1115 1st June St John's 0930 8th June	
Thursday 29th May	Feast of the Ascension	St MM 1000	P2 Led with P6 support
Wednesday 25th June	P7 Leaver's Mass	In school	P7 Led

DATES TO REMEMBER

OCTOBER

SEPTEMBER	
13th	Roald Dahl Day
16th	Monday Holiday
17th	Parent Consultation bookings live
17th House Captain Interviews & 19th	
18th	Meet the Teacher
25th	Day of Peace Mass Led by P7 @ MM

2nd	Parent Consultations 4-7pm
3rd	National Poetry Day
4th	Parent Consultations 1-3pm
10th	School Photos
14th	Mid Term holidays
21st	
22nd	All pupils resume
30th	P1-P7 Flu Immunisation

NOVEMBER	
1st	All Saints Mass P6 @ St-John's
7th	Outdoor Classroom Day
13th	World Kindness Day
15th	Children In Need
18th	Book Week Scotland
22nd	
28th	St Andrew's Day Mass P5 @ St MM

DECEMBER	
5th	Advent Service P4 In school
9th-P7	Benmore Residential
13th	
11th	P1 Nativity
13th	Christmas parties P1-P6
20th	Last day of term

JANUARY	
7th	All pupils resume
15th	Feast of St John: Whole school Mass led by P3 @ St-John's
24th	Robert Burns Celebration
29th	Lunar New Year

FEBRUARY	
3rd	P6/7 Cross Country
10th	Mid-term break
16th	
28th	Ramadan

MARCH	
5th	Ash Wednesday
6th	World Book Day
10th	P3 Sacrament of Reconciliation @St-John's 7pm
19th	Parent Consultations
21st	

APRIL	
7th	-Easter holidays
21st	
22nd	All pupils resume

MAY	
5th	School holiday
6th	School in-service day
7th	All pupils resume
19th	School holiday
21st	New P1 2025 St John's Nursery Transition event
28th	New P1 Transition event Partnership Nurseries
29th	Ascension Thursday Mass led by P2 with P6 support @ MM

JUNE	
9th	Sports Day
13th	School reports
13th	New P1 Transition activity
16th	P7 Confirmation @ St-John's
17th, P7 High School Transition 18th	
19th	
18th	Pupils meet the new teacher
23rd	P7 Leavers Event
25th	P7 Mass
26th	Last day of term