

St-John's RC Primary School

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Message from Mrs Kelly



It has been another busy week in school, P2 are absolutely loving their space themed learning – they are so engaged with it and soaking up lots of new knowledge, they are very much looking forward to sharing this with their grown-ups after the Easter break.

This morning P6 had a visit from some STEM engineers – it's great to make these links outside of school. P1 and the nursery continue to spend time in the outdoors, with Figgy Friday's and what a lovely morning to be exploring the 'forest!'

Next week we look forward to welcoming our families to the second of our learning conversations – we've had a great response to online bookings and hope you find these meetings helpful. Your booked appointment will be emailed out On Monday for anyone who cannot remember their appointment time.



FRIDAY 21 MARCH

Friday 21st March – Back to the 80's with Red Nose Day/Comic Relief
The children and (staff...well, some of the staff, more than others) are looking forward to stepping back in time to the 1980's, a decade where anything goes. Look out the day-glo and leg warmers, shoulder pads and big hair and have some fun while raising some money for charity.
We know that this day comes very quickly after world book day so feel free to recycle some clothes from that/wear bright clothes or wear your school uniform..no rules but be prepared for some great music and a morning of fun 80's facts.

If anyone has any toys, games, technology, photographs from the 80's we would love to see them and promise to take very good care of anything brought in.



P4 Football Team

New Team on the Block

P4 played their first home match on Saturday morning as part of the Soccer 7's programme. The sun was shining and it was great to see them work hard and compete well against Royal High.

They are looking to further the squad so if anyone else from P4 would like to join the team, please contact, Liam, Mason's (P4b) dad, who would love to see more girls and boys become involved.



Key Dates

M a r c h

3rd

P4 Sacramental parent
Meeting
Parent Consultation bookings open - link sent, booking opens at 5pm

5th

Ash Wednesday

6th

World Book Day - Dressing up optional

10th	P3 Sacrament of Reconciliation @St-John's 7pm P7B Trip to Surgeon's Hall
11th	P7A Trip to Surgeon's Hall
13th	Nursery Pre-school Eye screening
18th	P1 & P7 Dental Inspections
21st	Choir performing at St-john's Church for St Patrick's Day
19th-21st	Parent Consultation's
24th	P6/7 Cross Country Finals - Inverleith
25th	P7 Transition Mass
26th	P2 visit from Cosmos Planetarium
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1st	P7B Art of Listening
7th-21st	Easter holidays
22nd	All resume
23rd	P1 & P7 Vista Style Photographs P2 and P2/I Shared Learning - Information to follow
28th	P4 Parent Sacramental Meeting
29th	Holyrood Year Heads visiting P7

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5th	Monday holiday- All	3rd	P7A Trip – Pizza Express
13th	P7 Holyrood transition visit		
27th	P7 Holyrood transition visit		
		3rd	P7 Holyrood transition visit
		10th	P7 Holyrood transition visit
6th	Inset Day –children off	4th	School Board Cup- Semis P1 Trip to Dynamic Earth
7th	School Board Cup – Round 1	9th	Sports Day – further details to follow
12th	P6&P7 Interscholastics	11th	Football Finals Night – P1 Transition – class assembly
14th	Inspectors Cup – Round 2 P7 RRSA Cluster Group – St John Vianney’s	13th	End of year reports – New P1 transition activity, all new P1 children
19th	Monday holiday- All	16th	P7 Confirmation @ St John’s
20th	P7B Trip to Pizza Express	17th–19th	P7 Transition days at new High School
21st	New P1 Transition –St John's Nursery	18th	Meet the Teacher
21st	School Board Cup – Round 2	19th	New P1 Transition – Meet the Teacher/lunch
		20th	P5–P7 Choir Usher Hall

26th	P6/P7 Interscholastics : Meadowbank	23rd	P7 Leaver's Event
28th	New P1 Transition -Partnesrship Nurseries P4 Shared Learning - Info to follow	25th	P7 Leavers Mass
28th	Insepctors Cup Semis	26th	Last Day of term
29th	Ascension Thursday Mass : Led by P2 with P6 support@ St MM		
29th	P4 Reconciliation service and St MM rehersal		

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. admin@st-johns.edin.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-johns.edin.sch.uk)

Lateness - Gates open at 0840 and close at 0850

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

Digital Movers + Shakers

Digital Movers + Shakers is BACK. This Easter break we are bringing you a second edition of the club looking further into how technology can be used to improve the game of football and the various applications of STEM within a football club. This club is a supportive and stress-free environment to help young people in P4-P7 to get involved in technology and football – it is designed to cater to participants of various skill levels and interests, so no tech or football experience is required.

Participants will get hand-on experience with the various technologies of such as micro:bits, to recreate cutting-edge innovations that provides new outlooks on how to engage in and play sports.

As they explore the expanding role of data in football, whilst exploring the inner workings of what it takes to build a successful club, our young members will be empowered to challenge the traditional norms of football, with aspirations to one day aim to change the game.

Registration opens at 5pm on Monday 17th of March, registration links can be found here: <https://linktr.ee/HeartsInnovate>

Please note:

- Two meals will be provided, with breakfast being served from 9:00am and lunch from 12:00pm.
- Parts of the sessions will require light movement/exercise outdoors so please have your child bring along a water bottle and wear suitable footwear and clothing dependant on the weather.
- Due to high demand and limited tickets, only those with a confirmed space will be allowed to attend the club - this does not include being on the waiting list.
- Even though this is a second iteration of our Digital Movers + Shakers, it is not essential for young people to have attended the previous iterations.
- We ran this club 5 times in the summer holidays, so if your young person has already attended, please do not sign them up again to leave spaces for others to experience our clubs



Tickets on sale for 2024/25 Player of the Year Awards – Hearts

Heart of Midlothian's Player of the Year awards return on Sunday, 27 April 2025, at the Edinburgh...

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