



Our vision is for St. Charles to be a family of love, kindness and respect. Inspired by love and the values of the Gospel, we empower everyone in the St. Charles family to reach their full potential.

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Dear Parent,

Welcome back!

Welcome back to school and happy new year to you all. I hope 2026 will be a peaceful and successful year for everyone. Many thanks to our families for the kindness and generosity shown to school staff before Christmas, it was most appreciated.

We have had a lovely start to the school year with a new pupil joining us in P6 and next week we look forward to welcoming student teachers for various placements across the school. Miss Scoular will be joining Mrs Gillies in P5/6 until Easter time and Miss Reid and Miss Murdoch will join P7b and P4 from Monday until the February break.

We have also been delighted to welcome Miss Henry back following her maternity leave. Mrs Mackle remains absent from work due to ill health and we continue to keep her in our thoughts and prayers.

Please see below for updates and reminders for the coming weeks in school.

Enrolment for P1 in August 2026

The enrolments for children due to start school in August 2026 opened this week. If you have a child due to begin school, please go online to register via the SLC website.

Communication-School App, Parentportal, Instagram and Facebook(Parent Council)

Most communications from the school come to you in a digital format. We would ask all parents to please try their best to sign up to Parentsportal and to download our school App to stay up to date with messages from school- thank you!

Breakfast Club

Parents are urged to be mindful that the breakfast club in school does not begin until **8.15am** and there is no access to the school before this time. **There is no adult supervision before 8.15am.** We do not want children at risk of harm, especially on these cold, dark mornings, by arriving before this time. Thank you for your understanding.

Fr. Morton- Leaving Assembly

As you may already be aware, Fr. Morton, our St. Bride's parish priest and school chaplain, will be leaving the parish soon to begin a sabbatical. There is a thanksgiving mass in the church on Wednesday 28th January and all are invited to attend.

In order to give the children and school staff an opportunity to offer our thanks and best wishes for his 25years of service to the school, we will be hosting an assembly for Fr. Morton on Friday 23rd January. Fr. Morton has been a fantastic support to our school and an important part of our school community. I would like to extend my most sincere thanks to him for all the spiritual, pastoral (and financial!) help he has given the school over the years. He will be missed by many. We ask that

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you keep Fr. Morton in your prayers as he begins this new chapter of his life.

Adverse Weather

As the weather turns colder, we will do our best to ensure safe entry to school for the children. Helen our janitor works hard to create safe paths for us, but we often don't have the time- or salt supplies- to grit areas such as the car park and playground. As such, when the weather is icy the children may have to remain inside during break times. We do however try our best to get outside and get fresh air when we can, so children are encouraged to wrap up warm and bring suitable footwear, jackets hats and gloves etc for the colder weather.

Car Park

We understand that traffic and parking outside the school is very tricky at drop off and pick up times, but parents are reminded that the car park should not be used for this purpose.

Parent Council

Our next Parent Council Meeting will take place on **Wednesday 4th February**, in school, at 6.30pm. All are welcome to attend. The Parent Council meet to support the work of the school. Part of this work is to help raise funds and the cost of the buses for the Christmas panto, as well as all the snacks and prizes for Christmas parties, were covered through fundraising events so far this year; thank you.

Sacrament Updates

A gentle reminder that there will be an **enrolment mass** for the children of St. Bride's Parish preparing for the sacraments on Sunday 18th January. 10am mass for Reconciliation and 12 o'clock for First Communion. Children should wear their uniform please.

Upcoming dates for your diary

Sunday 18th January- Enrolment Masses in St. Brides

Monday 19th January- Flu Vaccine catch up in school

Friday 23rd January- Fr. Morton Assembly

Friday 30th January- P4 Glasgow Showcase of Learning at 1.30pm / Choir to Flemington Care Home

Wednesday 4th February- Parent Council Meeting 6.30pm

Friday 6th February- P2b Assembly- Buddhism 11.30am

Friday 14th February- P1 and P7 dental checks

Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th February- School closed(holiday)

Wednesday 18th February- School closed to pupils (In-service day)

Friday 20th February- World Thinking Day- children can wear club uniforms / P6 Assembly at 11.30am- Chinese New Year

Your sincerely,

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