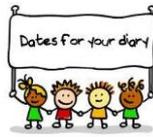




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- Wednesday 20th March**
Rooms 1 & 1a visiting Hillhouse Library
- Thursday 21st March**
Parent/Carer visits – same times at October visit. Reminders will be sent home!
- Tuesday 26th March**
Takeaway Theatre Company performing 'Hope' to P5-7 pupils
- Friday 29th March**
School closes at 2.30pm
- Monday 15th April**
School re-opens after the Spring Break
- Friday 19th & Monday 22nd April**
School closed
- Friday 26th April**
Parent Council Family Treasure Hunt
- Wednesday 1st May**
Pre-Entrants' Welcome Session 1
- Monday 6th May**
School closed
- Tuesday 7th May**
Development Day-School closed for pupils
- Monday 13th May- Friday 17th May**
Walk to School Week
- Friday 10th May**
Sports Day (weather permitting)
- Tuesday 14th May**
Sharing the Learning Event 9.30-10am
- Tuesday 14th May & Wednesday 15th May**
Drama Club performance 7pm
- Monday 20th – Thursday 23rd May**
P7 Residential Trip to Ardentenny
- Wednesday 22nd May**
Pre-Entrant Session 2
- Friday 24th & Monday 27th May**
School closed
- Friday 31st May**
Udston's Got Talent Semi Final
- Saturday 1st June**
Parent Council Sumer Fayre
- Monday 3rd June**
Shoogalie Road Productions performing 'Oliver' for P1-7
- Wednesday 5th June**
Pre-Entrants' Welcome Session 3
- Friday 7th June**
Udston's Got Talent – Grand Final
- Wednesday 12th June**
Pre-Entrants' Welcome Session 4
- Thursday 13th June**
Parent Council End of Year Disco
- Friday 21st June**
P7 Graduation
- Friday 28th June**
School closes at 1pm

Information on other class outings will be provided shortly.

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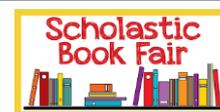
As a staff, we recently read and reflected on this document, and have asked the Parent Council to do the same. The focus is on addressing how school costs can place barriers in the way of children's participation and learning, cause stigma amongst children and young people and place pressure on families.

More information will be displayed at our parent/carer visits and we would appreciate families to take some time to contribute to our feedback walls.

ParentPay



We will shortly be moving to ParentPay, which is the market leading online payment service for schools and families. More information will follow soon!



The Book Fair will be at Udston on Thursday 14th March. Classes will be given the chance to visit the book fair and browse the books. As always, the Book Fair will be open during our Parent/Carer visits.



P4-7 pupils enjoyed watching 'Johnny English Strikes Again' while relaxing on pillows, beanbags and blankets! Thanks to the Parent Council for organising this night. Movie Night for P1-3 will be coming soon!



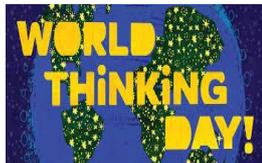
Put Your Name On It!

Can we remind families to name all items of school uniform. We often have more than one class using the changing rooms at the same time, so it is extremely important that children can identify their own uniform. Thank you for your support with this.



Our School app now had nearly 300 downloads! We hope you are all finding this a useful addition to our means of communication.

If you have still to download the app please visit our website for instructions or contact the school office.



On Friday 22nd February, children who attend Brownies and Guides were invited to come to school wearing their special uniform. We were delighted to see so many girls proudly representing their groups.



Can we remind you to provide your children with a bottle of plain, un-flavoured water to drink throughout the day. Many thanks!



Please remember that when your child has PE they should have their full PE kit, jewellery should be removed and they should have appropriate shoes that fit properly. Earrings must be removed or covered with plasters, provided from home. The main focus this term is gymnastics and if pupils are not appropriately dressed for PE they may not be able to take part in all the activities.



As you know, our school gates are extremely busy places and our main priority is ensuring the safe handover of all children.

In the event of any child's family not being at the gate on time, it is very important that school procedures are followed and the child returns to a member of school staff who will escort them to our Main Office.

Your continued support is greatly appreciated!

Late-coming



Whilst we are aware that there may be the odd occasion when families are running late, we do have children who arrive late on a regular basis. This can be very unsettling and mean they miss out on valuable teaching time. The teaching and office staff are vigilant in recording late-coming on class registers.

Toys and Gadgets in school



Can we please remind families not to encourage children to bring toys or gadgets into school. Not only do they create problems in terms of ownership amongst children, but also causes a great deal of distress when they break or get lost. We have a very busy playground as you know and our Playground Leaders are working really well at encouraging pupils to play with games and equipment that can be enjoyed and shared by all.