



May Newsletter Session 2020/21  
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## Diary Dates

Monday 24 May Parent Council Zoom Meet @ 6.30pm  
Friday 28 & Monday 31 May School closed  
Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> June Eye Screening for P1s in school  
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June School closes at 1pm

We will keep you updated if any of these dates change, and/or additional dates can be added to the calendar.

## Road to Wembley

At a time when we are unable to physically come together as a school, it is fantastic that we can all participate in our own "journey" to Wembley as part of SLC's Active Schools partnership with the Young Peoples Sports Panel project, celebrating the Scotland National team reaching the European Championships 2021. As you know, Scotland play England on the 18<sup>th</sup> June and we will be clocking up the 380 mile journey from Hampden to Wembley, as well as challenging ourselves to a range of activities between now and then. Miss Munro is collating our class records and our weekly results are being tracked on our twitter page. We have had an amazing start already, with classes walking/running/jogging round the playground.

## Guidelines update

No updates have been received with regards to the current measures in place, however in the event of any changes being advised to us from the authority via Scottish Government, we will update families via our app and twitter.

## Participatory Budget

We are looking to form a short-term parent /carer group to be part of a consultation on part of the PEF funding the school receives to close the attainment gap. 5% of the 2021/22 PEF Budget will be allocated to this, which amounts to £4,594.50 The majority of the fund has always been spent on staffing, our Nurture provision and intervention resources to support pupils with their learning, their wellbeing, or both.

More information will be shared shortly, but our aim is to have a range of parents/carers, pupils and staff directly involved with this. Everyone will be encouraged to share ideas as to how best the money can be spent to close the gap for our pupils. The groups will also then prioritise the ideas generated, and the priorities with the most votes will go forward. Please consider if you would be interested in being part of the parent/carers group. A response section will be within the letter being shared soon.

## Pre-entrants

Transition Packs are now available for our pre-entrant families to collect from the School Office between 9.30am-2.30pm during the week. We are making phone calls to families throughout the month of May and will be providing some 'welcome sessions', either virtually or in person, in June. More details to follow.

## Beat the Street

Well done to Team Udston for coming 3<sup>rd</sup> place in this Hamilton and Blantyre initiative! As a result of everyone's efforts we are delighted to let you know that we have won £300 in Decathlon vouchers for the school! It was wonderful to see and hear about families and friends taking part during this time of restrictions. Fantastic achievement!



## Pupil Reports

Next month we will be distributing pupil reports as part of our progress update calendar. The authority's format has changed so the report will present differently from before. The content of the report this year will also be reflective of the streamlined, recovery curriculum that has been necessary as a result of COVID-19, as well as the period of Remote Learning. For Literacy and Numeracy, the level achieved will be shown and progress in learning is displayed on a 4 point scale. The main focus is on a pupil's strengths and brief next steps in learning. No general comments will be included in the report as there is no facility for this. There will be statements within the Achievement section, which will reflect how our pupils have responded to this extremely different session. We look forward to sharing these updates with you before the end of the session.