



## St Joseph's

### Parents Newsletter January 2017

We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and would like to wish you a very Happy New Year

Thank you all for the very generous gifts we received

It's lovely to have all the children back at MACS St Joseph's after the holiday period. Hopefully we will all get back into our routines very quickly.

Some of you may be aware that the project had our 3 yearly inspection from the Care Inspectorate during November and I'm very pleased to say that we received grading's of 5's which is very good.

Our December Cake and Candy sale raised £66.64 so thank you all very much for your kindness: this money was donated to Glasgow City Mission which shows care to vulnerable adults and children by fighting against poverty and disadvantage in Glasgow. The children suggested that the money went towards this cause, especially as children were involved and it was Christmas time.



If your child is in Primary 7 and will not be continuing to use the service when they go to high school in August, or your child will be leaving MACS in June 2017, then please let us know as soon as possible so that we know how many places we will have available at the project for the new school term in August 2017.

Also, if you already have a child at St Joseph's and they have a younger sibling starting school in August, then if you have not already registered them for August 2017, please submit an enquiry form by going to our website, clicking on the Online Forms tab and completing a Parent Enquiry Form.

This term we will be busy with the children's committee, eco-friendly group, gardening committee, and child lead workshops. Children will also have the opportunity to be a mit's (MACS in training): this is where a

child helps out within the project eg. helping prepare snack, helping with activities, clearing up, looking after the pens and pencils and reading the daily register of children.

All the children enjoy this experience along with learning life skills.

As we are always striving to improve our service, if you have any suggestions on healthy snacks your child enjoys at home, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of staff about these.

Please remember we are a nut free zone.

Please remember to inform MACS if your child will not be attending on any of their specific day(s) as it is not the schools responsibility to inform MACS if your child is absent from school.

Finally can we take this time to remind you of up and coming holiday clubs:

### **FEBRUARY HOLIDAY 2017**

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> and Monday 13<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February

### **SPRING HOLIDAY APRIL 2017**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April to Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April - MACS CLOSED (public holiday)

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April- MACS CLOSED (public holiday)

SCHOOL RE-OPENS Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April

Thank you for your continued input and support towards the project!

**Elaine and the MACS team ☺**

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