Curriculum Meeting 2020/2021

Primary 7



Administration

- We are no longer handling cash within school. Our new cashless system is now live and can be accessed via schoolmoney.com
- School dinners, healthy break (£1.50) and breakfast club (£1.20) should be paid for via this online system. All orders should be placed before midnight the day before.
- Please record whether your child(ren) is having a packed lunch by selecting the appropriate colour code
- Our dinner menu has been extended to include wraps, baguettes and sandwiches at a cost of £2.60
- All items of clothing marked with your child's name.
- Breakfast club 8.00-8.45am daily.

Break

Please provide a clearly labelled water bottle as the fountains are not accessible.

Please provide a healthy break for your child. Healthy breaks can also be ordered via schoolmoney at a cost of £1.50

- ▶ Uniform: Full school uniform at all times Mon-Tue-Thurs-Fri
- Wednesday: PE gear should be worn on a Wednesday. Please ensure this is labelled. Clothing includes: white polo t-shirt, navy shorts or tracksuit bottoms (no logos), school half zip or jumper and trainers
- ► Rewards -Pupil of the week will be given in class on a Friday afternoon. The going for gold system is in place within class.
- ▶ Other rewards may be reinstated in due course
- Assemblies- There will be no assemblies at present.

Absence/Attendance

Please inform the class teacher or Mrs Martin if your child has a medical appointment.

An absence note must be sent in to explain why your child has been off.

School Attendance Matters - See A Parent's Guide

COVID-19

Do not send your child to school if they are displaying any of the following symptoms:

A high temperature

A new, continuous cough

A lack of taste/smell

Pupils displaying any of these symptoms will be sent home. Please see the 'return to school' letter for further guidance

The Curriculum

Language and Literacy:

Reading - Encourage reading at home - Library Book and Bug Club (to be arranged) Listen to your child reading their 'from school library books'. Listen for expression, fluency and understanding of the story. Please return these on a Friday

In Class we have- Shared Reading - Class Novel
Guided Reading - Class reads

Writing - Forms of Writing; Narrative, Procedural, Recount, Report, Persuasive and Explanation. (Whole School Focus linked with Assessment)

Mathematics and Numeracy:

Processes, Number, Measures, Shape & Space and Handling Data

The World Around US - Topics: Natural Disasters, Victorians, The Titanic, Explorers, Ancient Greece

The Arts- music, drama etc

ICT- ICT is a cross curricular skill and is developed through all areas of the curriculum. Ipads are now used as part of the daily teaching within the school. These are wiped between users.

- ▶ PE: Outdoors on Wednesday.
- Personal Development & Mutual Understanding
 Living Learning Together Programme Year 7 (including transitioning to a new school resources)
- Religious Education:
 We are following the Grow in Love programme 7

Whole School Focus;

Maths- Number and Mental Maths

Literacy- Grammar and Punctuation

Testing/Assessment

- We use AfL to assess and monitor children's progress and learning.
- ► The children use Peer & Self-Assessment to provide feedback on their learning.
- ► Throughout the year we level pieces of children's work using their CCS book.
- Progress tests PTE, PTM & CAT4 (May 2020)

Homework

- ➤ Spellings: Prim-Ed Spelling Workbook (Mon- Thurs) This book should remain at home. Pupils should complete one unit per week. Work should be uploaded to Google Classrooms daily.
- Mental Maths: Prim-Ed New Waves Workbook (Mon-Thurs) This book should remain at home. Pupils should complete one daily task each evening. This should be uploaded to Google Classrooms daily
- Spellings and Mental Maths for Friday assessment.

Literacy homework: Monday- comprehension, Wednesday-Grammar/punctuation

Numeracy homework: Tuesday-Number work, Thursday - Number work

▶ Reading - 1 homeread per week from the in-class library. Please return this on a Friday

Extended Schools

No extended schools can be offered at this moment.

Child Protection

- ► Mrs Hagan is Designated Teacher
- ▶ Mrs Martin Deputy Designated Teacher
- Please let them or myself know of any concerns or worries

Questions/Concerns

- ▶ Please use our telephone line if you have any queries or concerns on 028 44828542
- ▶ We will advise at a later date how parent-teacher meetings will progress this year.

Thank you for your time.

I hope we have a good year working together and raising standards in St. Mary's PS Killyleagh.