



Curriculum Meeting 2022-2023

Primary 2
Mrs Black

Administration

- ▶ The school is now operating a cashless system.
- ▶ Everyone is asked to Log in to the website <https://eduspot.co.uk/> and sign up to the schoolmoney parent log and select what lunch their child is having.
- ▶ Lunch options- Free Dinners; Paid Dinners (including hot and sandwiches);
 - Sandwiches (Packed Lunch brought from home)
- ▶ Dinners cost 2.60 per day.
- ▶ Stay and Play club 2-3pm - Booked via school money

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- ▶ Uniform: Mon, Wednesday & Friday - Full School Uniform

Tuesday & Thursday - PE uniform - navy shorts or jogging bottoms, white polo-shirt, half-zip or school jumper

- ▶ Rewards -
- ▶ In class- Dojo Points, stickers, stampers
- ▶ Whole School -Pupil of the week, Cappy Award, Reading Eggs & Mathletics
- ▶ The Pupil Voice remains strong at St Mary's. Pupils in Year 4-7 will form the Eco Council; Digital Leaders or School Council. All children are encouraged to share their ideas with Mrs Martin and their class teacher using a digital forum.

Absence/Attendance

If your child needs to get out of school during school hours or is absent please inform me by email.

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or by using the message facility on Seesaw

School Attendance Matters - See A Parent's Guide

<https://www.education-ni.gov.uk/publications/school-attendance-matters-parents-guide>

The Curriculum

Language and Literacy:

Reading - Encourage reading at home - Home Reads, Reading Eggs and Library Book
Listen to your child reading their 'Easy Reads'. Listen for expression, fluency and understanding of the story.

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

Writing - Forms of Writing; Narrative, Procedural, Recount, Report, Persuasive and Explanation.

Phonics and Handwriting - identify and consolidate letter formations and associated sounds. Continue to use the word boxes from last year to reinforce blending.

Mathematics and Numeracy:

Processes, Number, Measures, Shape & Space and Handling Data.
Please help your child to learn their number bonds.

The World Around Us - Topic- Once Upon A Time will be our first topic.

The Arts- Music, Drama and Art

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 and will be used as part of our blended learning, Seesaw, log in details to access MySchool.

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- ▶ PE: Full PE uniform required
: Two half hourly sessions per week

- ▶ Personal Development & Mutual Understanding *Living Learning Together Programme*

- ▶ Religious Education:
We are following the Grow In Love and the RSE programme Education for Love.

Testing/Assessment

- ▶ We use AfL to assess and monitor children's progress and learning.

Tickled Pink

Green for improvement

- ▶ The children use Peer & Self-Assessment to provide feedback on their learning.
- ▶ Progress tests - PTE, PTM (May 2022*)

Homework

- ▶ Up to 2 Literacy Worksheets and up to 2 Numeracy Worksheets each week to be completed and returned by Friday for marking.
- ▶ Seesaw -Reading Eggs and Mathletics- Activities will be assigned weekly and should be completed for a Thursday night. This will be rotated. The later programmes will be introduced in due course.
- ▶ Sound Book - one/two sounds will be sent home weekly for you to practice with your child every night to reinforce learning.
- ▶ Reading - Guided reading books will be sent home on a Monday and a Wednesday after being read in school to then read at home with support. Books must be returned on a Wednesday and a Friday.
- ▶ Spellings - Pupils will get a list of spellings and tricky words to learn each week in preparation for our Friday Check Up.

Designated Teacher

- ▶ Mrs Hagan is Designated Teacher
- ▶ Mrs Martin Deputy Designated Teacher
- ▶ Please inform the DT or Mrs Martin if you have any concerns.
- ▶ We are an Operation Encompass school
- ▶ Please see Page 10 of the policy for further information about what this means.

https://storage.googleapis.com/siteassetsswd/131/docletter/20210825023402_94_Safeguarding_Policy_June_21_Operation_encompass.pdf



Communication

- ▶ Parent/ Teacher Consultations - will be scheduled for October/November

- ▶ School website.

Please visit the school website and subscribe to email or download the app to keep up to date with school.

Email Subscribe

Enter Your Email Address

Submit



Special Education Needs



- Mrs Hagan is the Special Education Needs Co-ordinator.
- She is also a member of the safeguarding Team.

Communication

- ▶ Weekly Sway - Every Friday you should receive a Weekly Update via text.
- ▶ Please ensure that the school has up to date contact information to ensure that you are receiving text messages.
- ▶ Social Media - Queries can only be answered during the school working day.
- ▶ School Office - Our office is only opened from 8.45am - 1pm. Please use Seesaw to message the class teacher after 1pm.
- ▶ To assist with parent connecting to their child's journal, could you please give the class teacher a working email address.

Questions/ Concerns

Please feel free to contact the class teacher using the Seesaw app if you have any questions or concerns. This is monitored regularly during their normal working hours.

Complaints Procedure

Please refer to our policy for guidance on our complaints policy

https://storage.googleapis.com/siteassetsswd/131/downloads/Complaints_Procedure_Jan_2020.pdf



Thank you for your time.

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