## CURRICULUM MEETING

2023/2024

PRIMARY 4 & 5

## ADMINISTRATION

- We are no longer handling cash within school. Our cashless system is now live and can be accessed via schoolmoney.com
- School dinners 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 a wider range of hot food options and wraps, baguettes or sandwiches at a cost of £2.60
- All items of clothing marked with your child's name.

#### Break

Please provide a clearly labelled water bottle and a healthy break for your child.

- Uniform: Full school uniform 3 days per week.
- At present PE gear can be worn on Tuesday & Thursday
- 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. Assemblies. We hope to re-establish monthly parental assemblies this term.

## ABSENCE/ATTENDANCE

Please inform me if your child has a medical appointment via e-mail on: <a href="mailto:fmartin441@c2kni.net">fmartin441@c2kni.net</a>
School Attendance Matters - See A Parent's Guide

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

### THE CURRICULUM

#### Language and Literacy:

Reading - Encourage reading at home - Library Book (to be arranged) and Reading Eggs. 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: Inventions

The Arts- music, drama, 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.

- PE: Tuesday & Thursday
- Personal Development & Mutual Understanding Living Learning Together Programme Year 4-5: Safeguarding focus
- Religious Education

We are following the Grow in Love programme 4 and The Wonder of my Being P4 & P5.

School Focus;

Maths- Problem Solving

Literacy- Punctuation & Grammar

Mental Health & Wellbeing

SENCO- Mrs Hagan has been appointed the new SENCO within the school.

## 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.
- Progress tests PTE, PTM & CAT4 (May 2024)

### HOMEWORK

- Spellings: (Mon- Thurs) Spellings will follow the Linguistic Phonics/Prim Ed programme used in school. Spelling words will focus on the stage 5/6 sound taught that week.
- Mental Maths: Prim-Ed New Waves Workbook (Mon-Thurs)
  Pupils should complete one task and return to school daily
- Spellings and Mental Maths for Friday assessment.
- Reading Reading Eggs,
- Numeracy- Mathletics Programme online
- Seesaw online activities

## EXTENDED SCHOOLS

- Very limited at present.
- Stay & Play club continues as normal.
- We are exploring the option of Supervision Club in the morning, but the response has been slow.

# SAFEGUARDING & CHILD PROTECTION

## YOUR SAFEGUARDING TEAM IN ST.MARY'S



MRS HAGAN

DESIGNATED CHILD

PROTECTION TEACHER.



MRS MARTIN
DEPUTY DESIGNATED CHILD
PROTECTION TEACHER.

PEOPLE YOU CAN TALK TO IN SCHOOL

 Please let them know of any concerns or worries

## QUESTIONS/CONCERNS

- Please use our telephone line if you have any queries or concerns on 028 44828542 or
- You can contact me on fmartin441@c2kni.net
- Parent-Teacher meetings will be administered in October. Further information to follow including dates and time slots.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME TODAY. I HOPE WE HAVE A GOOD YEAR WORKING TOGETHER.