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Key Stage 1 Curriculum Meeting

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Our Vision



 Our vision and values are at the core of everything we do. They underpin our teaching and learning, and provide an environment which prepares our pupils as confident, happy citizens.

• 'Educating for Today and Tomorrow'

- Children at Key Stage 1 will build and develop the experiences provided at the Foundation Stage.
- Learning at Key Stage 1 will continue to foster the intellectual, social, emotional, physical, cultural, moral and spiritual development of children.

o self-confidence and self-esteem

o developing the knowledge,

understanding and skills

o positive attitudes to learning



- continuing to develop children's creativity
- o challenging, relevant and enjoyable
- individual needs

Routines- a typic<mark>al day might</mark> include.

Morning

- Teacher time/busy book work.
- Handwriting
- Mental Maths
- Maths

- Reading
- Comprehension
- Grammar
- Phonics
- Writing

Afternoon

- The World Around Us
- Religion
- The Arts
- Physical Education
- PDMU/
- PATHS Pupil of the day

Reading/Literacy/Using Communication

In K.S.1 we focus on:

- Handwriting and presentation
- Mixture of active learning and written work
- Reading books sent home regularly
- From this year Accelerated Reader is introduced in Year 4 when your child is ready
- Children can read books from library also.



Numeracy / Using Maths

- Grouped according to ability
- Movement between groups (depending on topic)
- Practical work
- Recording in various formats
- Active Learn (Home link)







Play at Key Stage 1 (Activity Based Learning) is linked to topic work.

- During Activity Based learning children should be given opportunities to:
 - Manage Information
 - Think, solve problems and make decisions
 - Be creative
 - o Work with others
 - o Self-manage

Homework



- Homework packs are sent home at the start of term with a weekly guide included. In each pack there is a mixture of Literacy and Numeracy.
- Literacy: spelling, grammar and comprehension
- Maths: Mental Maths and Active Learn games (TTRS in Year Four after Halloween)
- Reading /Accelerated Reading
- Children should draw Smiley Faces or Traffic Lights to let the teacher know how they found the task.
- One piece of literacy and Numeracy should be posted on Dojo (in portfolio) weekly for the teacher to see.

Additional Educational Needs

Monitoring
Record of Concern
Individual Education Plan
Group Education Plan
Special Needs Teacher
Reading Partners
Dyslexia Screener (Year 3)

Assessment

o Assessment gives teachers a better awareness of what pupils know and understand, what their learning experiences enable them to do and what their skills and personal capabilities are.

Types of Assessment

- Informal Monitoring
- Assessment for learning
- Self-assessment
- Peer assessment
- Friday Tests
- End of term
- Variety of reading tests
- Computer Based Assessment (end of Term 3 in Year 3 and 4)

How will you know how your child is getting on?



- Class work may be posted on Dojo.
- Homework- let us know if your child is struggling with homework. Colour traffic lights to let us know how they found it.
- Friday spelling and Mental Maths tests posted on Dojo.
- Class Tests (including class averages)
- Induvial Education Plan (IEP) should your child require one.
- Parent/Teacher Meeting
- End of Year Report

Concerns

- Contact the office to arrange a time to chat to the teacher.
- Parent/Teacher Meetings
- Class Dojo message (private)
- Written note to relevant person

Additional Information

- Monthly Newsletter
- School Website
- Text Messages
- School App

Outside Visits / Tutors

- Young Enterprise (Yr2-7)- through an online forum.
- Music Tuition (Yr4-7)
- GAA coaches (1-7)



Useful websites

- <u>www.stjohnsswatragh.com</u>
- https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login
- https://www.topmarks.co.uk/
- https://whiterosemaths.com
- <u>https://www.c2kschools.net</u>
- <u>https://ukhosted5.renlearn.co.uk/2235445/</u> For Accelerated Reader

