

Home-School Communication

If you have any queries or concerns about your child please do not hesitate to get in contact. Please contact the school office by telephone or email—they will be happy to answer any queries you may have or if you wish to speak to me on the phone and I will return your call.

I have sent out invitations for SeeSaw—an online app we will be using to share our P1 experiences. This will allow you to see some of the learning your child is doing in class. Please get in touch if you need any help with this or need a new invitation.

Our Fieldies

We will begin to learn about language of learning through our 'Fieldies'. These are characters created by pupils which encourage all the behaviours of a good learner. The first fieldie we will be looking at is called 'Resilient Rhys.'

Achievement Book

We are keen to celebrate pupils achievements and successes outside of school, as well as in school. I will be keeping an 'Achievement Book' to log all pupils wider achievements. Please share photos/videos through Seesaw or pupils are encouraged to bring in certificates/medals/share stories with the class.]

Thank you for your help and support.

Claire Wightman and Kerry Jardine



(Above: P1W learning and displays)

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**Newsletter 1
Primary 1W
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Welcome

It has been lovely welcoming all our new Primary 1 children in to Mayfield Primary School. I am very proud of every child for settling so quickly in to the new routines and expectations of school life. I am loving getting to know them all and looking forward to working with them and their families over the next year.

General Information

Please make sure your child brings a suitable jacket for the ever changing weather as we will be outside for break and lunch as much as possible (except on very wet days or in extreme weather conditions.)

Please ensure your child brings a small snack for playtime and a named water bottle for them to drink from throughout the day.

It would be appreciated if you could put names on all belongings to help us return found property to the rightful owner.

Primary 1 school day -

Monday- Thursday: 8.50am - 3.20pm (Break 10.30-10.45 and lunch 12.30-1.15pm)

Friday: 8.50am - 12.05pm (Break 10.30-10.45)

P.E.

Mr Peacock will take P1B for PE on Tuesday afternoons. Children can keep a change of clothing/gym shoes in school. This will be sent home for washing at the end of each term. Again - please name all items of clothing. It would be helpful if children can practise dressing and undressing themselves and doing their shoes do enable them to be more independent.

Other members of staff in P1

As mentioned above, Mr Peacock will cover PE and Health and Wellbeing with P1B. He will also take the children for an hour each Thursday, focussing on French and Digital Literacy.

Each Monday the class will be taught by Mrs Jardine.

We are also very lucky to get the help from some learning assistants throughout the week; mainly Mrs Clark and Miss Leslie and Mrs Hammersley.

Topic/IDL

This term our topic will be People Who Help Us. We will learn about the emergency services as well as people in school and our local area who help us. This topic will explore expressive arts, play activities and some aspects of technology.

Literacy

We have began our phonics programme which is called 'Read, Write Inc'. Pupils will be learning 4 sounds per week. We will spend time each day looking at the formation of the letter by learning a rhyme and looking at words which contain this sound. In reading, the children will experience a free choice of books from our class library and will have class stories read to them each day at 'milk and story'. Reading books will be not be sent home at this time. We are working on descriptive writing during this term. Pupils will be looking at a variety of adjectives to describe an item based on: colour, size, texture, position, number, shape and 'doing'.

Numeracy and Maths

This term we will be developing our understanding of number by working on formation, simple number sequences, ordering of number and value of numbers. Over the week, we will be covering number structures, numerals, number stories and grouping/sharing. The children have already enjoyed completing written tasks, games on the smartboard / ipads and play based numeracy activities.

In Maths we will start by looking at 2D and 3D shape..

Class Expectations and Rewarding Positive Behaviour

We have worked together to create our class charter. This is a set of rules we decided on together to ensure our class is a happy and safe place to be. We use these rules to move pupils names up the behaviour chart , rewarding positive choices. They are rewarded with certificates, stickers and verbal praise. Pupils can also be moved down if they require some reminders about our class rules.

I have been so impressed with the pupils adapting to their new environment so quickly. They are adapting so well to their new environment.

It is lovely to see them all making new friends and working together.

