



Welcome to Primary 4!

Mrs Hannah and Mrs Henderson

We have had a super start to our year in Primary 4. We have enjoyed welcoming everyone back to school and we are very impressed with how quickly everyone has settled into their new routines.

Together we have been 'Building a Brilliant Classroom' and taking part in lots of Lego-themed activities. We are excited about the learning opportunities that we have planned for this term which includes a historical focus on 'The Vikings', a book focus on 'Arthur and the Golden Rope', Active Maths sessions and Health and Wellbeing activities using Emotion Works. During the year we will also be learning about Scotland, Robert Burns, and Farming & Living Things.

This class welcome letter will provide you with some valuable information about life in our P4 class. We are looking forward to a successful and fun year with Primary 4.



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Staff in our class

Monday, Tuesday: **Mrs. Hannah**

Wednesday-Friday: **Mrs. Henderson**

Tuesday: PE - **Mr. Law**

Friday: PE - **Mr. McNay**

Throughout the week, **Mrs. Harkness and Janet (Ms. Gray) (Learning Assistants)** work in our class.

Mrs. Campbell is our Support for Learning Teacher.

Mrs. Meredith teaches us for a little while on Fridays.



Mrs. Hannah Mrs. Henderson Mrs. Campbell



Mrs. Harkness Janet Mrs. Meredith

Uniform and PE kits

PE kits should consist of clothing that can be worn indoors or outdoors, so a full length t-shirt and sports shorts/leggings or tracksuit bottoms are needed, in addition to PE shoes. A lightweight zipper or jumper may be useful also. Please come dressed in PE kit on your PE days until further notice.



The Polytunnel

Every Tuesday afternoon the class will spend some time working in the school polytunnel with Mrs. Hannah. This is P4's area of responsibility within the school for this year.

They will learn how to grow, maintain and harvest vegetables, fruit and other plants throughout all of the seasons. They will also help to keep the polytunnel organised and tidy. They may even bring some produce home later in the year!

Emotion Works

Emotion Works is a programme which develops children's emotional literacy and wellbeing at school.

You may hear your child using some of the terminology and vocabulary at home and talking about the Emotion Works cogs. We are encouraging the pupils to use the cogs as a basis for discussing their feelings and behaviours.

 emotion works



Helps us to learn and talk about emotions

Lost Property

Please ensure names are on all pieces of clothing and personal belongings.

Water bottles should come to school filled and will be brought home each night to be washed. Please ensure these are labelled.

Thank you!

Class Swimming

P4 will be taking part in swimming sessions at DGOne in Dumfries later this term. The sessions will take place during the school day and the pupils will be transported via minibus. More information will follow very soon.



Class Work 'Snap Shot' - Terms 1 and 2

See Termly Overview (to come) for further details

Reading: 'In class' close reading - Arthur and the Golden Rope, by Joe Todd Stanton.

Group reading - Oxford Reading Tree, TreeTops and short novels.

Writing: V COP strategies, linked to IDL.

Numeracy and Maths: Place value, addition, subtraction, data & analysis, money.

Core IDL Theme: The Vikings

Health & Wellbeing: Emotional literacy, friendships, right and responsibilities, values.

PE: Invasion Games and fitness

RME: Communities and Belonging, Christmas
Expressive Arts will be delivered across the curriculum.

French: Colours, numbers, days, months

Technologies: GLOW email, Microsoft Teams, coding.



Rights Respecting Schools

We are learning about the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. We will be using what we learn to create a 'Class Charter' which will help us to build a happy and positive classroom for everyone.



Homework

We will start to send homework home in the week beginning 6th September.

Literacy: This will come home on a Tuesday and should be returned on the following Monday. Please see jotter for details.

Maths: This will come home on a Monday and should be handed in on a Friday.

Reading: Reading books will come home on a Monday. These should be returned on a Friday. Your child will receive a Reading Diary to detail their tasks for the week.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you would like more information on how to help your child at home with their learning and homework.

Please let us know about any activities or skills that your child has been working on at home. Wider achievements can be shared in class and at assembly.

Health

If there are any changes or new medicines that your child needs please let the school know ASAP



'William' the Worry Monster

Our class worry monster is called William Shakespeare. Pupils can access the worry monster at any time if they are feeling worried or sad. They can also write their worries down and 'feed' them to the monster.

