



# Term 4 Parent Newsletter Primary 1

Welcome to Term 4!

We hope everyone had a good break over Easter. It has been great welcoming back the children over the last couple of weeks and we are all settling back into routines.

As the weather begins to warm up, please ensure your child has appropriate outdoor clothing, such as a sun hat if your child will tolerate one. Let us know if you would like us to apply sunscreen. If so you can supply the one you prefer and we can put the children's names on. We are still more than happy for any puddle suits or wellies to be left in school if this helps, as we never know what the weather will do! Mail drop day is still Friday.

## P.E

Mrs Irvine-McLean, our P.E specialist has completed her block with us, but we will still be having PE on Mondays, so please make sure your child comes to school dressed for PE on Mondays.

## Staffing

Class teachers will be Mrs Armstrong Monday - Wednesday and Mrs Olea-Glover on Thursdays and Fridays. Our learning assistants from last term are staying with us for the first couple of weeks, to help make a smooth handover for our next learning assistants. At times there may be other adults in the classroom, including specialists such as speech and language therapists.

Mrs McIlorum is our Principle Teacher.

## Curriculum

The children continue to work on and following their own individual targets and milestones throughout the term. These will be targeted through our play-based approach - you will get to see many photos of our learning.

Our IDL broadly follows the P1 mainstream topics this term. An early topic is "my body" and as we near Sports Day we will be practising for that. We will keep in touch through Dojo as our topics move on. We will continue to have a different focus of Music, Art, Big Explore, Food Prep and Sensory stories in the afternoons.

Where appropriate and possible we will take the children to join their mainstream class, we may also have some of their peers join us for play in the learning centre. This will look different for each child as we factor in each child's individual needs when planning this.

## Communication

This term we will move to Dojo to share photos of our learning. You can send us messages via Dojo too, but please ensure you inform the office of any absence or appointments.

You can also contact us via email:

Mrs McIlorum on - [gw13mcilorumlisa@ea.dumgal.sch.uk](mailto:gw13mcilorumlisa@ea.dumgal.sch.uk)

Mrs Armstrong on [gw09armstrongsarah@ea.dumgal.sch.uk](mailto:gw09armstrongsarah@ea.dumgal.sch.uk)

Mrs Olea-Glover on [gw16gloverlindsaymar@ea.dumgal.sch.uk](mailto:gw16gloverlindsaymar@ea.dumgal.sch.uk)

### Polite Reminder

Please remember that support staff do not start work until 9am, therefore we unfortunately cannot accommodate early drop off due to there being no staff available. If there are ever any issues please contact either Mrs McIlorum or one of the teachers.

Thank you for your support with this.

### Expressive Arts

This will be linked around our Topic and play provision. The children will have lots of opportunities to use lots of different materials to experience Art, Drama and Music.

### Meta-Skills

As part of our health and wellbeing work, our Meta-skills focus this term will continue to be communicating as we further develop the use of core boards within the classroom with the support of Deborah Little from Speech and Language. Focusing will also be a continuing Meta-Skill as we have more formalised adult-led learning activities.