



KIRKCUDBRIGHT PRIMARY SCHOOL

St Mary's Wynd
Kirkcudbright

Any enquiries please contact
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Dear Parent/Carer,

I would like to extend a warm welcome to Primary 5 and hope you and your family are keeping safe and well. I am very much looking forward to working with you and your child over the course of the year. I am pleased to say that we have had a good start to the year and the children have settled well into their new class.

The focus in class to date has been on friendships and feelings linked to our Health and Wellbeing topic. In addition, we have started working on some literacy and numeracy and we are about to start our topic maths work covering shape. Our class novel is Sheep Pig by Dick King-Smith. Guided reading will start next week on a daily basis in class which will allow your child to be heard read each week in a small group and be given opportunities to engage fully with the texts. I am in the process of setting up home reading for some children also. Most children have begun to access the Accelerated Reader Programme.

This term our topic will focus on our local area, in and around Kirkcudbright. We will be looking at features of Scotland's landscape and land use within the topic also. The curriculum overview details what pupils will be experiencing in class but may be altered slightly as the children's learning progresses. PE is timetabled for Mondays and Thursdays. Please send your child to school on a Monday in their PE kit along with their school uniform to change into. They will need a PE kit in school on a Thursday. Outdoor Education and Daily Mile will take place as and when the weather allows so I would appreciate if you could ensure your child has a warm, waterproof jacket in school.

Your child has been given a Home/School Diary which will be completed on a Monday. Regarding Homework, spelling will be the priority to start with and any other activities to be completed at home will be recorded by your child in their Home/School Diary. The spelling lists will also be found in Files on our P5 Class Team. Sumdog will be used for any Maths Homework and your child is encouraged to read every day for around 15 minutes.

I know you are not able to come and see me in person at the moment but please feel free to contact me regarding any concerns or queries that you may have. My preferred method of contact is by email which I will check at the beginning and end of each day (gw15pearsallclaire@ea.dumgal.sch.uk).

Yours Sincerely,
Mrs Claire Pearsall
Class Teacher
