



Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you had an enjoyable Summer break. It is lovely to welcome all our pupils back. Well done to our P1 pupils who have settled very quickly into their class. Thank you to you for helping them to settle so quickly and to gain independence as Primary 1 pupils. All of our pupils have started the year very well.

This session, we welcome Miss Baker, class teacher, to our staff. Mrs Hopkins, our Early learning and childcare practitioner, has decided to retire after over 26 years in our ECC. We wish her well and hope she enjoys a long and happy Retirement. Unfortunately, Mrs Cuthbertson, our class teacher has not returned to school due to ongoing ill health. Our Class structure this year is as follows:

P1	Rm 3 & 4	Miss Bellie/ Mrs Coney
P2	Rm 14	Miss Fyvie (Mon/Tues) Mrs McWilliam (Wed-Fri)
P3	Rm 2	Miss Steedman
P4/3	Rm 11	Miss Baker & Mrs Miller (Thurs)
P5/4	Rm 9	Mrs J. Miller
P5	Rm 20	Mrs McDonald
P6	Rm 1	Mrs Wilson (Mon-Wed) Mrs Ferguson (Thurs/ Fri)
P7	Rm 7	Mrs Johnstone / Miss Mair (Fri)

What can your child bring to school?

We would like your support in encouraging your child to wear school uniform each day. We have some second hand uniform available, if you need anything. Please contact the main office if we can be of help. Children are allowed to bring a school bag to school. Please ensure all items are labelled to ensure items can be returned to their owner should they become lost. We already have a lot of things in our lost property box.

Pupils can bring a water bottle to school. Please remember children can only drink water in class – no juice please. Each child will be provided with resources for use, this will include: pencil, pens, coloured pencils, eraser, sharpener, ruler, glue, etc. These will be kept in school. Children can bring their own pencils/pens, etc if they wish.





Most communication for our ECC and School is done through our school blog. Links to the school blog are also sent out via the app.

An East Ayrshire Council School

WELCOME GENERAL INFORMATION CLASSES PUPIL ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS/CARERS WHOLE SCHOOL INFORMATION FOR 2020-21
P1 TRANSITION INFORMATION (AUGUST 20) USEFUL LINKS

HURLFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL AND EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTRE



Safer Schools Scotland



Don't miss out on important information -

Please make sure you have downloaded the Safer school app today. Posts are also found on the GLOW Hurlford Primary School & ECC blog. Please check regularly.



Pupils require a PE kit, which may include shorts/leggings/joggers and trainers/sand shoes(outdoor trainers are fine!) No earrings/jewellery on PE days please.

PE days are as follows:

PE days: Mondays: P2,P3, P4/3 Tuesdays : P5, P5/4.

Wednesdays—WOW

Thursdays: P1, P6. Fridays: P7



Please remember to label your child's PE clothes and shoes.

Our Vision, Values & Aims

HURLFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL & EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTRE

At Hurlford Primary School and Early Childhood Centre, we work together to create a safe, happy and healthy school environment, where everyone has the confidence, motivation and encouragement to be the best we can be.

Our Values



We are in the process of reviewing our vision, values and aims—thank you to everyone who gave us feedback on them last term—more details to follow.

HURLFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL & EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTRE
IMPROVEMENT PLAN PRIORITIES 2023/24

Health & Wellbeing

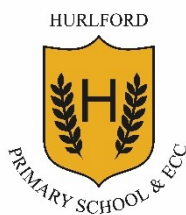
- Rights Respecting schools
- Nurture
- Neurosequential model
- Reducing cost of the school day
- Embedding HWB progression frameworks & Assessment

Raising Attainment

- 'Getting it Right for Every child'
- Role of learners as partners in learning process
- Play within the Early level
- Partnership with Parents/Carers
- Embedding Literacy & Numeracy progression frameworks & Assessment
- Using Data for Improvement
- Numeracy - Problem Solving

Skills for Learning, Life & Work

- STEM
- Learning for Sustainability
- Expressive Arts - Disney/Scottish Opera (P5/P6)
- Partnership with other agencies & Parents/Carers
- Use of Critical Skills





Hurlford Primary School & Early Childhood Centre

Our Improvement Priorities

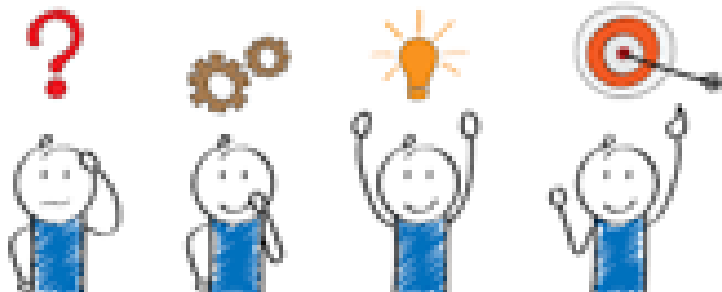
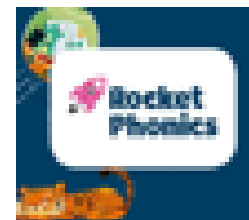
2023/24

Summary

1. Raising Attainment, particularly in Literacy and Numeracy- we will continue to:

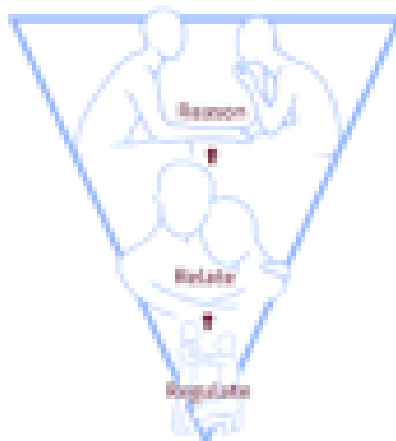
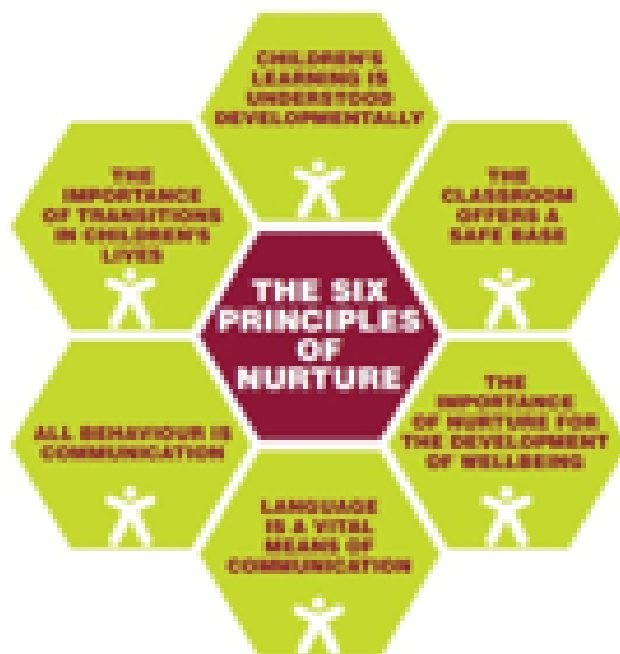
- Improve outcomes for children, through regular GIRFEC meetings between class teachers and the HT/DHT.
- Support staff to use data analysis for improvement.
- Explore the role of learners as partners in the learning process.
- Raise attainment and achievement in Reading and Writing.
- Become a Communication Friendly Early Childhood Centre.
- Develop play within the Early level both within the ECC and PL.
- Develop problem solving skills in Mathematics.
- Share strategies and approaches with Parents and Carers to support learning at home e.g. parent/child activities.

Getting
It
Right
For
Every
Child



• Ensuring the health and wellbeing of all young people- - we will continue to:

- Work towards gaining our Silver Rights Respecting Schools Award.
- Embed nurture principles within our school community to support all learners.
- Improve knowledge and understanding to brain based, trauma informed practices through training and classroom implementation
- To share strategies and approaches with Parents and Carers to support their child's Health and Wellbeing needs at home.



- Increased in sustained positive destinations and employability skills- we will continue to
 - Embed Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) across the curriculum.
 - Develop our whole school approach to 'Learning of Sustainability'.
 - Enhance collaborative learning experiences for all, through use of 'Critical skills'.
 - Enhance our Expressive Arts provision at Second level, through production of a Disney musical, in partnership with Scottish Opera.



developing political literacy
 embedded in the curriculum
 values-based
 international education
 understanding interdependence
 resilience
 addressing discrimination and prejudice
 ethics
 protecting biodiversity
 outdoor learning
 sustainable energy and water use
 local to global
 human rights
 fair trade
 eradicating poverty and inequality
 children's rights
 skills for work
 links between environment, society and economy
 creativity
 contact with nature

learning for sustainability

peace and conflict
 learning for a better world
 critical thinking
 respect
 ethical issues
 identity and heritage
 waste reduction and recycling
 social justice
 sustainable buildings and grounds
 school linking
 discussing controversial issues
 sustainable development education
 learners as leaders
 tackling climate change
 growing food
 community partnerships
 systems thinking
 global citizenship
 social and cultural diversity
 cooperative, collaborative and active learning
 play
 health and wellbeing
 culture
 engaging with democracy
 equality and fairness
 improving attainment and achievement
 problem solving
 responsible use of our planet's resources



Please click on the link below to access our Improvement plan 23/24:

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/ea/hurlfordpsecc/school-improvement-plan/>

Please click on the link below to access our Standards and Quality report 22/23:

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/ea/hurlfordpsecc/standards-and-quality-report/>



Please complete the following consent forms by Friday 15th September, Your help with this matter is much appreciated.

Hurlford Primary School & ECC -EAC Photo Consent for Children and Young People 23/24

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=oyzTzM4Wj0KVQTctawUZKYszQE8e6pJMiU59YQZMDQZUMUFRODM0T1E1TDBTOEVOVUJBMUdGUDVMWS4u>

HURLFORD PS & ECC: EAC Acceptable Use of Computer Facilities 23/24

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=oyzTzM4Wj0KVQTctawUZKYszQE8e6pJMiU59YQZMDQZUOFNMVTZSRVlFWUZBSFJUvzZNMjUwR1BYRS4u>

Hurlford Primary School & ECC EAC Parent Pay Consent 23-24

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Term 1 & 2 Calendar - Dates for your diary

EAC school holiday dates 2023/24 for information:

<https://www.east-ayrshire.gov.uk/Resources/PDF/S/School-Holidays-2023-24.pdf>



September

Monday 4th September – Parent Council 6pm AGM 6.30pm Parent Council meeting (new members welcome) in Hurlford PS & ECC

Wednesday 20th September & Thursday 21st September – EAC Learning visit (Primary)

Wednesday 20th September – ECC Stay and Play session (more details to follow)

Friday 22nd September & Monday 25th September – September Holiday weekend

October

Monday 2nd October – 6.30pm Parent Council meeting (venue tbc)

Monday 2nd October – 2-3pm Welcome to P2 (Mrs Miller, PT chat in dinner hall and visit to P2)

Friday 6th October – 2-3pm Welcome to P3 (Mrs Miller, PT chat in dinner hall and visit to P3)

Monday 9th October – 2-3pm Welcome to P1 (Mrs Miller, PT chat in dinner hall and visit to P1)

Wednesday 11th October – Parent Council Harvest Disco – ECC-P3 6.15-7.15pm and P4-P7 7.30-8.30pm

Friday 13th October – School closes

Monday 16th October – Friday 20th October – October holiday

Monday 23rd October – Inservice Day 3

Tuesday 24th October – Pupils return

Wednesday 25th October – Family fun craft night – Hallowe'en (details to follow)

Friday 27th October – Hallowe'en parade – prize for each class for best homemade costume

November

Wednesday 1st November – Parents Night (Primary)

Monday 6th November – 6.30pm Parent Council meeting (venue tbc)

Thursday 16th November – Flu immunisations

Week beginning 13th November – ECC appointments

December

Monday 4th December – 6.30pm Parent Council meeting (venue tbc)

Tuesday 12th December – Nativity

Wednesday 13th December – P6 Party- afternoon & P7 Party (6.30-8pm)

Thursday 14th December – 10am Pantomime

Friday 15th December – P5 Party – afternoon

Monday 18th December – Christmas fayre (6-7.30pm)

Tuesday 19th December – P2, P3, P4/3 party – afternoon

Wednesday 20th December – P1, ECC party – afternoon

Thursday 21st December – Christmas service 9.30am Hurlford church

Friday 22nd December – School closes at 2.30pm. Pupil return Monday 8th January.