

# Learning across the four contexts at Newmilns Primary: Re Imagining our Curriculum 2023-2024



## The Big Ideas!

- Enable the 7 principles of Curriculum Design
- Focus on skills and what is important
- Declutter the day/week term
- Maximise opportunities to develop the four capacities



Whole School Concepts:  
vehicles for sharing IDL  
learning with parents.

- A Walk Through Our World
- Our Healthy World
- Our Amazing World
- The World Around Us

## Develop Skills 4.0:

A skills model to drive Scotland's Future

Self management	Social intelligence	Innovation
Focussing	Communicating	Curiosity
Integrity	Feeling	Creativity
Adapting	Collaborating	Sense making
Initiative	Leading	Critical thinking





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## Opportunities for personal achievement

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Personal achievement provides children with a sense of satisfaction and helps to build motivation, resilience and confidence. We celebrate achievement at Together Time and try to develop a sense of "Have a Go" and Growth Mindset.

Children's successes in and out of school are celebrated and we beginning to record these achievements more readily to allow children to see their success year on year.



## Interdisciplinary Learning

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The curriculum includes opportunities that enable children to make connections between different areas of learning. IDL is a planned approach to learning which uses links across different subjects to enhance learning by providing relevant, challenging and enjoyable learning experiences and stimulating contexts. At Newmilns Primary School we currently have an overview of contexts for learning which lie at the heart of most of our Interdisciplinary Learning.

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## Ethos and life of school as a community

The starting point for learning is a positive ethos and climate of respect and trust based upon shared values across the school community. Children are encouraged to contribute to the life and work of the school through WINGS groups (WHAT I NEED TO GROW IN SCHOOL), Newmilns TEAMS and through a variety of whole school projects and events.

## Ethos and life of the school as a community

## Curriculum areas and subjects

The curriculum areas are the organisers for setting out the experiences and outcomes and contribute to developing the four capacities. The 8 Curriculum areas are:

- Literacy and English
- Numeracy and Mathematics
- Health and Wellbeing
- Expressive Arts
- Science
- Social Studies
- Technology
- RME

## Curriculum areas and subjects





## Topic Focus: Term 1

### A Walk Back in Time

- P1/2: Granny's Attic/Old Toys (and moving toys)
- P3: Native Americans
- P4: Romans
- P5/LL: Middle Ages
- P6/7: WW2

## Topic Focus: Term 2

### Our Healthy World

EA HWB programme

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### The World Around Us

- P1/2: Shops and Shopping, Healthy Eating
- P3: Farming
- P4: Enterprise, Houses and Homes
- P5/LL: Scotland
- P7: 20<sup>th</sup> Century Scots/STEM

### A World of Wonder

- P1/2: The Seaside
- P3: Life Cycles, materials, light sound
- P4: Wildlife and Habitats
- P5/LL: Water Cycle, Floating & Sinking, Light and Shadow, My Body
- P7: Natural Disasters

## Topic Focus: Term 3

## Topic Focus: Term 4

# Learning across the four contexts at Newmilns Primary School Together Time



## Together Time Focus Term 1

### **Mrs McCracken – Whole School**

*HWB, School Community, Environmental (A24) theme across the term:*

#### Regular Input

*Birthdays (A8), Singing, Class News (A28), Our Expectations (Articles within charter), class certificates*

*Mrs Young (1 x Whole School 1 x P5-P7 and 1 x P3-4) see planner*

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## Together Time Focus Term 2

## Together Time Focus Term 3

## Together Time Focus Term 4

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## Opportunities for personal achievement

- Together Time Activities
- P1/P7 Buddies
- Active Schools Activities
- Darvel Flower Show
- House Captains
- Playground Leaders
- Pupil Voice: Pupil Council / WINGS groups
- Celebration of out of school achievements
- Certificates at Together Time

## Interdisciplinary Learning

- **Topic work linked to A Walk back in time**
- **Outdoor Links:**
  - Team Work activities in the outdoors
  - Outdoor links to A walk back in time

*Teacher's Share learning with parents via Learner Journal*

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- Together Time Activities
- Pupil Voice: WINGS groups
- Classroom Charters
- Rights Respecting School Feature Articles: 12, 24
- Darvel Flower Show
- P1/2 Open Afternoon
- Parents' Evening

- Numeracy
- Literacy
- HWB: New Beginnings/ Building Resilience / PE/Kindness and Friendship/
- Social Studies
- RME (Together Time)
- Expressive Arts (IDL)

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