# Thornliebank Primary School and Nursery Class





# Bun-sgoil Ghàidhlig Thornliebank

Improvement Plan

2024 - 2025

NURTURE - KINDNESS - RESPECT - EFFORT

ALTRAM - COIBHNEAS - URRAM - OIDHIRP

Nurturing a thriving community of lifelong learners

## THORNLIEBANK VISION AND VALUES

Our Vision and Values reflect the shared ambition and aspirations of everyone in our whole school community.

# **Vision**

Nurturing a thriving community of lifelong learners

# Values

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# Three Year Summary of Improvement Priorities 2024 – 2027

Year 1 2024 – 2025	Year 2 2025 – 2026	Year 3 2026 – 2027
Raising attainment for all learners, particularly in literacy and numeracy	Raising attainment across the curriculum	Improving the overall quality of learners' achievements
Developing effective approaches to wellbeing, equality and inclusion	Ensuring approaches to wellbeing, equality and inclusion lead to improved outcomes for all learners	Ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion for all
Addressing the impact of inequity on wellbeing, learning and achievement (Pupil Equity Fund Plan)	Addressing the impact of inequity on wellbeing, learning and achievement (Pupil Equity Fund Plan)	Embedding sustainable approaches to address the impact of inequity on wellbeing, learning and achievement
Embed/Maintain Family Centred Approaches Nurture and Trauma Informed Practice	Embed/Maintain Keeping the Promise Award	

# **Summary of School Improvement Priorities 2024 – 2025**

Raising attainment for all learners, particularly in literacy and numeracy	<ul> <li>Further strengthen systems for quality assurance to ensure effective tracking and monitoring for continuous improvement</li> <li>Upskill staff at all levels to make best use of digital approaches to interrogate relevant data</li> <li>Further develop and embed consistent pedagogical approaches to learning, teaching and assessment across literacy and numeracy with a specific focus on raising attainment</li> </ul>
Developing effective approaches to wellbeing, equality and inclusion	<ul> <li>Provide opportunities for all stakeholders to explore diversity and be empowered to challenge racism and religious intolerance</li> <li>Roll out 'CIRCLE' framework to promote inclusive practice</li> <li>Participate in the Keeping the Promise Award programme with the aim of achieving the 'We Promise' certificate as a whole school community</li> </ul>
Addressing the impact of inequity on wellbeing, learning and achievement (Pupil Equity Fund Plan)	<ul> <li>Make best use of Pupil Equity Fund to support targeted Literacy, Numeracy and Health &amp; Wellbeing interventions to narrow the poverty-related attainment gap</li> </ul>

# **Actions Key for Priorities 1 and 2:**

Purple – Action for whole school, Gaelic provision and nursery

Blue – Action for Gaelic provision and school

Red – Action for school only

Orange – Action for Gaelic provision only

Green – Action for nursery only

SCHOOL
PRIORITY

Raising attainment for all learners, particularly in literacy and numeracy

### NATIONAL IMPROVEMENT FRAMEWORK (NIF) PRIORITIES:

Improvement in attainment, particularly in literacy and numeracy **NIF DRIVERS:** 

School and ELC improvement Performance information Curriculum and assessment

### ERC LOCAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN EXPECTED OUTCOME/IMPACT:

Empowerment and Leadership:

A culture of self-evaluation and continuous improvement in all school and services

Attainment, Achievement and Progress:

Improved literacy and numeracy attainment throughout the years of the BGE Pedagogy and Learning:

An increase in the percentage of schools evaluated as 'very good' or better for learning, teaching and assessment

# HGIOS?4 QUALITY INDICATORS:

- 1.1
- 1.3
- 2.4 3.1
- 3.2

learning, teaching and assessment				
Expected outcome/	Action & responsibilities	Timescale	Resources	Monitoring and evaluation
Robust quality assurance systems will be in place	Detailed QA Calendar will be created and shared with all staff (HT)  Recording systems for learning visits, pupil dialogue, peer support feedback,	September 2024 October 2024	In-service days	Quality Assurance Calendar (3-year cycle)
across the school and nursery, including a QA calendar and suite of documentation.	learning walks, Seesaw monitoring, jotter monitoring will be created and shared with all staff (HT)  Tracking and monitoring recording systems will be utilised consistently by SLT, teachers and CDOs during self-evaluation focus months (HT)	Nov 2024, Feb and May 2025	Collegiate time  BtC 5 Quality Assurance and Moderation	Tracking and monitoring recording systems
Increased confidence across all staff in the	SLT will undertake training on the use of the BGE Benchmarking Toolkit  Refresher session for all teaching staff on best use of Tracking Database (HT)	December 2024 September 2024	National Improvement Framework	Start and end of year surveys for children, parents/carers and staff
intelligent use of data to track and raise	Refresher session for all nursery staff on best use of ELC Database (NT, SCDO)	September 2024	How Good Is Our School? 4	Professional dialogue
attainment.	Gaelic PT will liaise with Education Department staff re: Tracking Database for GME Support for early level teachers to utilise all available transition data for planning,	Ongoing Aug/Sept 2024	How Good Is Our Early	Tracking meetings
Pedagogical approaches to learning, teaching and assessment in reading,	including ELC Database and summative reports (HT)  Whole school and class level demographic information to be shared with all teaching	September 2024	Learning and Childcare?  Realising the Ambition	SLT meetings  Nursery LT meetings
writing and numeracy will be embedded across the school and nursery.	and nursery staff (HT)  Tracking information will be updated regularly by CDOs, teachers and SLT within the staff shared area, Tracking Database and ELC Database (HT, NT, SCDO)	Oct 2024 and ongoing	Advice on Gaelic Education	Learning visits
All children will	All teaching staff will participate in school, cluster and authority-wide moderation activities to support shared expectations and standards	Ongoing	Thornliebank GME Position Statement	Peer support feedback
experience high quality learning and teaching.	The Literacy Working Party will support all staff in the continued rollout/embedding of Talk for Writing, DLL and Guided Reading, including identifying and addressing CLPL needs (Gaelic PT)	Oct 2024 and ongoing	PANECAL Guidance Document	Pupil dialogue Seesaw profiles
Improvements in attainment in reading,	P7 will engage in a pilot Reading for Enjoyment programme with WFHS (DHT)	Ongoing	Reading Schools Programme	Tracking database – ACEL data and Standardised Assessment scores
writing and numeracy will be evidenced through ACEL, SNSA and ERC	The DHT will lead the rollout of the Reading Schools programme and the submission of evidence for accreditation	Ongoing by April 2025	TRAiL assessments and resources	SNSA results
Standardised Assessment data.	The nursery teacher will lead the rollout of the PANECAL programme and the submission of evidence for accreditation  Gaelic PT and teacher will continue to develop pedagogy and resources in line with	Ongoing by June 2025 Ongoing	SEAL assessments and	Reading Schools evidence
	the principles of GME  The Numeracy Working Party will support all staff in the continued	Oct 2024 and ongoing	resources Seesaw licence	PANECAL evidence
	rollout/embedding of Number Talks and CPA approaches, including identifying and addressing CLPL needs (DHT)	oct 2021 and ongoing	School Seesaw guidance	Literacy Guidance document for staf
	The Maths Champions will continue Mini Maths Mondays to support best practice and trial new initiatives/resources	Monthly	documents	Numeracy Guidance document for staff
	Support for Learning teachers will be trained in TRAiL and SEAL and will deliver targeted literacy and numeracy interventions where needs are identified (SEF PTs)	Aug/Sept 24 and ongoing		
	Seesaw Ambassadors (staff and P7 pupils) will support the continued rollout and embedding of Seesaw across the school and nursery as a tool for profiling and reporting	Ongoing		

SCHOOL PRIORITY:	<b>NATIONAL IMPROVEMENT FRAMEWORK (NIF) PRIORITIES:</b> Placing the human rights and needs of every child and young	ERC LOCAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN EXPECTED HGIOS?4 OUTCOME/IMPACT: QUALITY INDICATORS:		
Developing	person at the centre of education	Social Justice a		2.5
effective	Improvement in children and young people's health and		xperiences which ensure tha	
approaches to	wellbeing		en, young people and adults	
wellbeing, equality	NIF DRIVERS:	identified and a		3.1
and inclusion	Parent/carer engagement and family learning	Pedagogy and L		
	Curriculum and assessment		parental engagement in the	ir
	School and ELC improvement	children's learning and in the life of the school		
Expected outcome		Timescale	Resources	Monitoring and evaluation
impact			11000 111000	
All stakeholders will	Two members of SLT and one class teacher will undertake Education	Aug-Dec 24 (HT)	In-service days	Start and end of year surveys for
understand their role i	Scotland's Building Racial Literacy CLPL			children, parents/carers and staff
promoting inclusion,	All staff members will participate in anti-racism CLPL (SEF PT)	Oct 24 – Mar 25	Collegiate sessions	
cultural diversity and		Oct 24 - Mai 23		CIRCLE inclusive classroom scale
anti-racism and will ta	rupils, parents/carers and stair will be invited to join the Diversity	September 2024	UNCRC	paperwork
responsibility for their	Committee (Equity PT)		Book Formality From any al-	CIDCLE nontinination costs
part in this.	Pupils, parents and carers will be consulted and involved in discussions	Ongoing	Race Equality Framework for Scotland 2016-2030	CIRCLE participation scale paperwork
	around racism in order to understand lived experience and steer the work of	Oligonig	ior Scotiand 2010-2030	paperwork
All children will	the Diversity committee (Equity PT)		Equality Act (2010)	Professional dialogue
experience learning in	The Diversity Committee will meet regularly to discuss and plan awareness-	Monthly		
inclusive classroom.	raising events and cultural celebrations (Equity PT)	Monthly	Anti-racist toolkit for	ASN meetings
			<u>teachers – scotdec</u>	
	The Gaelic PT and teacher will continue to embed GME within the	Ongoing		ASN review meetings
All staff will have an	Thornliebank learning community and across the local authority, developing associated policy, guidance and curriculum rationale		Addressing Inclusion:	Laint Commant Tanna manting
increased awareness of The Promise' and the	associated policy, guidance and curriculum rationale		Effectively challenging racism in schools	Joint Support Team meetings
supports available to/	The Pupil Council will continue to lead on the promotion of children's rights	Ongoing	racisiii iii schools	Children's Wellbeing Plans
place for care experien			RespectMe	omaron o womonig i mile
children.	The Pupil Council will gather and submit evidence for the school to achieve	Aug 24 – Feb 25		Learning visits
	Silver Rights Respecting Schools status (HT)		Principles for an anti-racist	
	Daniel (	T1	<u>curriculum</u>	Pupil dialogue
	Parent/carer events will be held throughout the year to share approaches to inclusion, cultural diversity and anti-racism (HT)	Termly	A 1 : 0 1: D1 4:	D // C 11 1
			Advice on Gaelic Education	Parent/carer feedback
	Teachers will be supported to deliver anti-racism education to all children	Ongoing	CIRCLE framework	Incidents of Racist Bullying logged on
	(SEF PT)		<u>OROBB framework</u>	Seemis
	The DHT will lead the roll out of CIRCLE framework to promote inclusive	Ongoing	Keeping the Promise	
	practice		resources	Diversity Committee meeting minutes
	All staff will utilise the CIRCLE framework to audit learning environments	Ongoing		
	and participation and plan developments to promote inclusive practice	Ongoing	Young Leaders of Learning	Pupil Council meeting minutes
	across the school (DHT)		programme	Languages and Culture Club meeting
	The UT will lead the relieut of the Verning the Dramics Award	Aug. Dec 24		minutes
	The HT will lead the rollout of the Keeping the Promise Award programme with the aim of achieving the 'We Promise' Certificate as a whole school	Aug – Dec 24		
	community			RRSA Silver school evaluation,
				questionnaire and checklist
	The HT, DHT and Nurture teacher will promote the nurture principles, trauma informed practice and relational approaches across the whole school	Ongoing		
	community through CLPL, staff support, assemblies and family engagement			Keeping the Promise Award CLPL log
	The DHT will lead the Young Leaders of Learning programme with a group of	Ongoing		
	P4-7 pupils, focusing on Relationships			

SCHOOL PRIORITY: Addressing the impact of inequity on wellbeing, learning and	closing the attainment gap between the most and least disadvantaged children and young people Improvement in children and young people's health and wellbeing		L IMPROVEMENT PLAN D OUTCOME/IMPACT: L, Achievement and Progressement in the attainment of	HGIOS?4 QUALITY INDICATORS: 1.1 1.3	
achievement (Pupil Equity Fund Plan)			disadvantaged children and young people Social Justice and Wellbeing: An increase in activities which support prevention and early intervention, improve outcomes and reduce inequalities		2.4 3.1 3.2
Expected outcome/	Action & responsibilities	Timescale	Resources	Monit	oring and evaluation
A range of data will show that the attainment gap between the most and least disadvantaged children has reduced.  2023/24 data (PRAG) Standardised Assessments (P3,5,7): Q1-Q5 Numeracy 8 points Q1-Q5 Literacy 2 points Attendance: Q1-Q5 3% Non-FSM/FSM 10% ACEL Data (P1,4,7): Q1-Q5 Combined Lit 16% Q1-Q5 Combined Num 26%	The following interventions will be targeted at children living in SIMD 1-3, registered for free school meals and those affected by other poverty risk factors.  Early Intervention in P1 HT and Equity PT will:  - identify target group based on transition data, Developmental Milestones and Baseline Assessment results  - plan and timetable interventions based on the needs identified Nursery teacher and PEF CDO will:  - implement early intervention activities with the P1 target group  Literacy Support in P2/3  Nursery teacher will:  - plan and implement HWB intervention 'real-life experiences' with identified target group PEF-funded CDO will:  - implement twice-weekly reading for enjoyment/storytelling sessions with the target group  Numeracy Support in P2/3  Equity PT will:  - plan and implement SEAL approach to maths recovery for identified target group  - establish 'number buddies' with P6/7 pupils and target group children and timetable weekly number buddy sessions  PEF-funded CDO will:  - lead twice-weekly maths games sessions with the target group  Attendance Support  Equity PT will:  - use monthly attendance data to identify trends in attendance patterns for children impacted by poverty and identify target group  - engage with the families of children in the target group to identify barriers to improving attendance  - plan in-school interventions to support improved attendance among the target group  EAL Support  HT and Equity PT will:  - liaise regularly with SEF PT and BSW to plan for best use of time, resources and skills to support identified target group  Readiness to Learn  DHT and nurture teacher will:  - utilise a range of assessments to identify specific needs among the target group  - plan, timetable and implement appropriate strategies to develop skills and improve readiness to learn for the target group  - plan, timetable and implement appropriate strategies to develop skills and improve peer relationships for the target group  - plan, timetable and implement appropriate strategies to develop ski	October 2024 October 2024 Nov 2024 & ongoing Sept 2024 - Mar 2025 Oct 2024 - Mar 2025 Oct 2024 - Mar 2025 October 2024 Oct 2024 - Mar 2025 Monthly Ongoing Sept 2024 - Mar 2025 Monthly September 2024 Ongoing September 2024 Ongoing	PEF allocation of £29,400: Equity PT top-up Part-time CDO  SEAL maths recovery resources  Practical number resources and maths games  Big books for rhyme and storytelling  Bilingual Support Worker  Nurture Teacher  Nurture room  P1-3 Wellbeing space  Family Room	Equity nurture Termly teacher ASN me Progres databas Attenda Monthly Senior GMWP	eetings as through CfE levels (tracking se) ance data (Seemis) y attendance data collated by BSA data Profile data