# welcome to P16

Miss Cunningham

# Hello!

We are pleased to welcome the children to Primary I! We are so happy that they have settled in well and we are enjoying getting to know each other.

We have a busy year ahead and look forward to working together as part of our St Roch's Family.

"Tiny, shiny, little pebbles make one big Roch!"

# Uniform

The children look very smart in their uniform. Please ensure that your child's name is clearly marked on all clothing, including gym clothes and jackets.

Miss Cunningham Class Teacher

Miss McQuade

#### Miss McQuade SfLW

# Gym/Outdoor learning Days

PI will have gym every Monday and will take part in outdoor learning each Wednesday (weather permitting).

# Snacks

As we are a Health Promoting School, please could you ensure your child has a small healthy snack and a drink for break time. Facilities are available to top up water bottles at break or lunch times. Children can bring a packed lunch or can have a free school meal.

# Letters/Forms

Please check your child's school bag every night for letters they may have received. Encourage your child to independently pass letters/notes on to the class teacher.

#### Homework

Thank you in advance for your support with homework. Homework will be given out for the whole week on a Monday to be completed at your own pace. This will be collected every Friday. We encourage families to take some time throughout the week to practise the weeks learning together. We will be completing homework in paper form and on SeeSaw.

#### Interdisciplinary Learning/Topic

The topics this term will be 'This is Me' with a health and wellbeing focus on 'The Colour Monster' and 'Rainbow Fish'

The children will learn about their new school surroundings and community through our 'People Who Help Us' topic.

### Health & Wellbeing

Children will learn to care for themselves and their belongings. They will create class rules and be encouraged to follow these. The children are beginning to recognise a variety of emotions using visuals and expression. This will be explored through expressive arts and our IDL topics. The children are participating in the P7 buddy scheme and are working with the P7 children to learn about playing well outside.

# Teaching & Learning Term 1

## **Promoting Positive Behaviour**

The children have settled in very well within their classroom and are making good progress following both the school and classroom rules. To reward the children's good efforts, they take part in Golden Time activities within the class on a Friday. Children also receive Dojo points for following our class charter.

#### Numeracy

Children will learn to sort objects by colour, type and length. Children will learn to identify sets with more/less and to recognise and continue patterns using colours, sizes and objects. They will learn to recognise, name and sort simple 2D shapes. They will be introduced to numbers **0-5** and use these numbers to make sets.

#### Literacy

Reading - Your child will be introduced to a variety of class texts in Pl. They will learn to make predictions, answer questions about the story and sequence the main events.
Phonics - Your child will learn how to recognise and use initial sounds and letter names. Please encourage your child to teach you the action for each sound.

• Writing - Children will learn to write their own name. They will learn letter formation following the order of phonics taught. They will be encouraged to dictate a sentence for the teacher to scribe to accompany their illustrations. They will be encouraged to have a go at writin, by developing their pencil control through following patterns, various writing materials and taking part in a variety of fine motor skill activities.