

Kilsyth Primary School



Parent/Carer Annual Calendar and Overview

2024-25

Introduction

Welcome to our Annual School Overview. In this booklet you will find our Parent/Carer Improvement Report and Plan that tells you information about our attainment and achievements, attendance, planned events, curricular activities, clubs, school calendar, school priorities and committees.

We are very much looking forward to seeing you in school and working closer together with our parent/carers and the wider community.

GIRFEC

We implement an integrated pathways approach to support pupils in line with the NLC and Getting it Right For Me Guidance. Children with additional support needs are supported in school and some may have a GIRFME Plan or Wellbeing plan that is discussed with parent/carers at Parent's Night and the views of the pupil are sought and recorded.

School Priorities

This year we continue our work to make improvement in school in the following aspects:

- Continuing to Raise Attainment by imbedding Learning, Teaching and Assessment through pedagogy trios and continuing to develop High Quality Assessments.
- Continuing to develop and imbed Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths into our Curriculum making valuable use of our outdoor facilities.
- As a Cluster, continuing to increase pupil attendance in school and attain The Promise Award.

We are also introducing or imbedding

Outdoor Learning within the curriculum through planting and growing, outdoor play and Forest Schools

Play Pedagogy in P1-P3 including playroom

Nurture through the introduction of a dedicated nurture playroom

Support Staff will be trained in Solihull and restorative approaches to managing behaviour, along with opportunities for teaching staff

P1- P3 will be participating in the testing of the new Film and Screen Curriculum

Accreditation

Over the years we have been put in place many developments in numerous areas and have now gained accreditation in

Gold Sports Award

Digital School Award

LEAF – Beautiful Scotland Award

Reading Schools Award

Enterprising School Award

We will also begin working towards our Silver Reading School Award and STEMNation and Education Scotland STEM Award along with John Muir Award when it becomes available again. Furthermore, Education Scotland were so impressed by our Digital Learning that we have been put on to the Digital Mentor School Programme.

Come and Learn Day

We will be having our annual Come and Learn Open Day for Parents on Thursday 26th September from 2.00pm. You will be able to visit your child's class and then the whole school will come along to the hall where we will be showcasing our recent successes across the 5 Awards that our school has just achieved, particularly our Gold Sport's Award!!! The pupils from the Sports Committee will be sharing the learning and achievement of the award and we will be recognising pupils individual sporting successes. If your child has recently been awarded for their sporting achievement in a club or organisation they attend out with school then please complete the attached form, and ask your child to bring their medal or

trophy on the 26th. At the end of the showcase all the children in the school will be performing a song to celebrate our successes!

Kilsyth Kuppas

Every month, each class will take a turn to host a Kilsyth Kuppa, allowing the pupils to share their learning with parent/carers and the wider community.

Themed Days/Weeks

Throughout the year, there are many themed weeks that take place in schools across the country. This is a great opportunity to involve pupils in the planning of the events and to involve parents/carers and members of the community in the life of the school by capitalising on their expertise to enhance the learning and teaching experiences for our pupils. This year we will be participating in the following.

September	- Roald Dahl Day
September	- Mental Maths Week
October	- Halloween and Health Week
November	- Pantomime
December	- Christmas
January	- Burns and Reading Week
February	- Fair Trade and Mental Health Days
March	- World Book Day
March	- Science Week
April	- Easter
May	- Computing Science Week
June	- Sports Day/Week, Civic Week, Transitions

UNCRC Assemblies

Our Assembly takes place on Friday mornings. This year Mrs Duncan Bain will be focusing on UNCRC. United Nations Conventions of the Rights of the Child.

Committees

We have a number of pupil voice committees that are led by pupils and key members of staff and some new ones that are starting this year

ECO Leaders	- Mrs Burrows and Miss Quinn
Health and Sports Committee	- Miss McKeown and Mr Rankin
STEM and Digital Leaders	- Mrs Thomson and Miss Reid
Reading Champions	- Mrs Thomson and Mrs Pearce
House Captains and Enterprising Pupil Council	- Mrs Duncan Bain and Mrs Pearce

The Pupil Voice Committees will run in the following Rotations and link in around RSHP and STEM

First Friday	-RSHP and STEM Focus Day
Second Friday	- House Captains and Pupil Council Meet to Plan Enterprise Activities
Third Friday	- STEM and Sports meet. House Captains and Pupil Council lead House Enterprise activities in hall with rest of school and staff
Fourth Friday	- Reading and Eco meet. House Captains and Pupil Council lead House Enterprise activities in hall with rest of school and staff

By doing so, ALL the pupils are leading on STEM and Digital Learning, Sports and Health, Reading, Eco and Enterprise including Social Enterprise.

Clubs

Active Schools offer a number of clubs throughout the year. These include Sports Leaders from Kilsyth Academy and College Students.

We also have a Tuesday Lunch Club run by Kilsyth Community Church.

Staff also volunteer to take a number of lunchtime and afterschool clubs.
We will sign post pupils to the clubs they are up and running.

School Calendar 2024-25 – N.B We will keep in touch with you via email if there are any changes to this schedule.

Term 1

Tuesday 24 th September	- School Photographs
Thursday 26 th September	- Come and Learn day 2.00pm
Friday 27 th September	- School Closed - September Weekend
Monday 30 th September	- School Closed – September Weekend
Friday 4 th October	- RSHP Morning and STEM Afternoon
Friday 11 th October	- Last day of Term

Term 2

Monday 21 st October	- All Resume
Thursday 24 th October	- P1/2/3 Kilsyth Kuppa
Tuesday 29 th October	- Parent Council Halloween Disco
Monday 30 th October	- Health Week
Friday 1 st November	- RSHP Morning and STEM Afternoon
Wednesday 6 th November	- Parent’s Night in School
Monday 18 th November	- School Closed – Inset Day
Friday 6 th December	- RSHP Morning and STEM Afternoon
Tuesday 10 th December	- School Show – 9.30am and 1.30pm Performances
Monday 16 th December	- P1, P2, P3 Christmas Party
Tuesday 17 th December	- Church Service P4/5 Christmas Party
Wednesday 18 th December	- P6/5 Christmas Party
Thursday 19 th December	- P7 Party
Friday 20 th December	- Last day of Term – School Closes 2.30pm

Term 3

Monday 6 th January	- All Resume
Friday 10 th January	- RSHP Morning and STEM Afternoon
Thursday 23 rd January	- P5/4 Burns Kilsyth Kuppa
Friday 7 th February	- RSHP Morning and STEM Afternoon
Friday 9 th February	- Mental Health Day
Thursday 13 th February	- P7 Kilsyth Kuppa
Monday 17 th February	- School Closed Half Term
Tuesday 18 th February	- School Closed Half Term
Wednesday 19 th February	- School Closed Inset Day
Thursday 20 th February	- Fairtrade
Friday 21 st February	- Fairtrade
Thursday 6 th March	- World Book Day
Friday 7 th March	- RSHP Morning and STEM Afternoon
Monday 10 th March	- Science Week
Thursday 13 th March	- P6 Kilsyth Kuppa
Wednesday 2 nd April	- Easter Extravaganza
Friday 4 th April	- Last Day of Term – School Closes 2.30pm

Term 4

Tuesday 22 nd April	- All Resume
Friday 2 nd May	- RSHP Morning and STEM Afternoon
Monday 5 th May	- School Closed – Early May Bank Holiday
Tuesday 6 th May	- School Closed – Inset Day
Wednesday 7 th May	- Computing Science Week
Wednesday 14 th May	- Parent’s Night
Thursday 22 nd May	- P6/5 Kilsyth Cuppa
Friday 23 rd May	- School Closed Spring Bank Holiday
Monday 26 th May	- School Closed Spring Bank Holiday
Tuesday 3 rd June	- Sports Day at Kilsyth Primary School
Friday 6 th June	- RSHP Morning and Digital Afternoon
Thursday 19 th June	- P7 Leavers Service Church
Tuesday 24 th June	- Shorts and Shades Day
Wednesday 25 th June	- Last Day of Term – School Closes 1pm