

CLASS NEWSLETTER

Summary since August

It has been a great pleasure to return after our long absence to a class of such well- behaved, enthusiastic and hardworking children. They have settled back in school remarkably well and are a credit to you. Apart from being experts in handwashing and lining up in numerical order, we have achieved a lot in a short time!

Our school focus this year is on developing a Growth Mindset and the children have been introduced to 5 characters with specific qualities to help them achieve this. They will be able to explain to you who they are and what they represent. As we want all pupils to attain their full potential and have the confidence and positive attitude that will enable them to face any challenges they meet, we will be reinforcing Growth Mindset in our Health and Wellbeing sessions throughout the year.

As with the start of any new session, the children have been revising previous

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skills and knowledge with particular emphasis on Numeracy and Literacy. As usual at this time of year, most of the children are reading the same book with the teacher who models the Comprehension Strategies that the children will follow throughout the year. Their current reading book is The Butterfly Lion by Michael Morpurgo.

In Spelling the children have been assessed and grouped but are all learning the same phonemes and spelling rules together.

In Maths we have covered Place Value, Mental Strategies, Addition, Subtraction and Rounding to 10 and 100. All children are working hard and achieving success.



Meet the teacher

Hello and welcome to our very first class newsletter.

My name is Mrs Briggs and I have worked in Mossend Primary for many years as some of you will already know. I have lots of experience in teaching P5 pupils, though this year is quite unique for all of us. I am looking forward to working together with you and your children to ensure they have the best possible educational, social and nurturing experiences we can offer, despite these unusual circumstances.

Where Stars Shine Brighter



What we are learning next

Moving forward the children will be put into Reading groups where they will read and work more independently, following the model shown this term.

In Numeracy they will cover Multiplication, Division and Measure. It would be an enormous help to your children if you would encourage them to practise their tables frequently as this impacts so much on their future learning.

As the children adapt to being back at school we will introduce more into the curriculum with a lot of emphasis being placed on Digital Learning. All children have been given passwords so they can access Teams, Glow and Sumdog at home where they will be able to complete homework tasks. Your child has been shown how to do this but help with this will be ongoing.

The children will be involved in deciding which Topics they wish to study throughout the year. We have already begun some basic French vocabulary in class and will build on this weekly.

As well as Growth Mindset we will be continuing to explore our feelings and reactions through Emotion Works.



Other class specific information (PE Days, Glow Information etc)

As stated on our app, PE will take place outdoors on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Miss Mill works with our class to support some children 3 days a week and does RE and PE with the class every Tuesday afternoon. The class are currently learning about Buddhism and have the special treat of learning some Japanese words and phrases too as Miss Mill is a bit of an expert in the language. Room 14 has also been lucky enough to be given the Trim Trail as their play zone this term. We will be buying some more outdoor equipment for the children to play with at break in future.



Class Achievements

What a talented bunch Room 14 are! We have already decorated 2 of our classroom wall panels with beautiful, colourful artwork which the children completed in record time. We are learning quick class games to develop our language and memory skills, some of them in French.



You can contact your child's teacher directly by emailing <u>enquiries@mossend.n-</u> <u>lanark.sch.uk</u>. Please mark it for their attention and allow a few days for replies during normal school hours I am literally spoiled for choice when trying to select a weekly winner for Mrs Hunter's Growth Mindset award on Fridays so I'm hoping we have the same success with our class Dojo points and Power Ups to earn Class of the Week. We have had a discussion about rewards, with the children sharing their ideas on what they would like.

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