

***What is a curriculum rationale?***

***When a school has a rationale for its curriculum, it means that everyone involved with the school can answer the questions ‘What is it we want for these children?’ and ‘What are we going to do to achieve it?’***

***We had 57 responses***

1. **As a parent, what do you value within the curriculum to assist with preparing your child with skills for learning, life and work?**

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| * **Numeracy/Real life Maths/finance 37**
* **Literacy 32**
* **Science 4**
* **P.E 3**
* **Art 1**
* **Building confidence 4**
* **Less active learning 1**
* **R.E and a deeper understanding of their faith 3**
* **Topic work 1**
* **Homework 1**
* **Social Skills (respect, manners, friendships, communication skills etc) 15**
* **The school’s holistic view 1**
* **Modern Languages 2**
* **Understanding the world and society 1**
* **Opportunities for learning outside the classroom confines 5**
* **Clearly defined goals 1**
* **Measurable progress 1**
* **Challenging but achievable targets 1**
* **Physical and Mental Health and Well Being 1**
* **Class Targets to be shared at home 1**
* **Computing and Technology 5**
* **Cooking 1**
* **After school clubs 1**
* **Thinking Skills / Problem Solving 2**
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1. **Are there any particular themes or curricular areas that you feel should feature as part of your child’s learning?**

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| * **More presentations and activities to build self-confidence.(also using ICT skills) 4**
* **Healthy eating. 3**
* **Positive behaviour towards others. Focus on Friendships. 5**
* **Visit other places of worship and more awareness of other cultures and beliefs/ equality and diversity 3**
* **Links with secondary school and earlier links 2**
* **Links with local businesses and industry (world of work last year was excellent) 3**
* **Outdoor activities/learning 8**
* **More real life experiences in the outside world 1**
* **Bringing in specialists. 1**
* **More maths themed activities 1**
* **Finance/money education 3**
* **Current events 1**
* **More awareness of social issues 1**
* **More focus on Science and ‘hands on’ Science 3**
* **Make more use of local facilities. 3**
* **Online awareness training 1**
* **Hands on learning where children are more involved not just sitting and listening 1**
* **Supporting more able learners 1**
* **More music tuition (woodwind) 1**
* **Ensure numeracy and literacy are progressive 1**
* **Independent thinking skills 1**
* **North Lanarkshire events 1**
* **Practical use of technology to support learning 1**
* **More punctuation taught 1**
* **History/Scottish History/Social Studies 4**
* **Emailing 1**
* **Modern Languages 1**
* **Learning how to learn 1**
* **Eco 1**
* **Charity work 1**
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1. **Any additional comments?**

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| * **Review anti-bullying policy**
* **Reduce or remove non-core activities affecting teaching capacity e.g. Sunflower tea, Hallowe’en, shows etc.**
* **Keep up the hard work!**
* **More indication of work/progress in between parent nights.**
* **Mrs Docherty has my continued support.**
* **Close relationship between school and parents are essential to a child’s development.**
* **More consultations with parents.**
* **More information about what they are learning in class and what curriculum areas they are doing**
* **P4 to P7 pupils should be allowed to play football, or other sports, in the yard. An astro turf area would be ideal. This would link to Health and Well Being.**
* **Overall I am generally happy with proposed improvements. About time! Good luck!**
* **I am concerned with the consistency between classrooms regarding display and resources.**
* **Worth having a facility online allowing positive feedback from parents.**
* **The past year has been fantastic where the children had opportunities to participate in NLC activities.**
* **I fully support Mrs Docherty in the massive changes she has made to the school.**
* **Thank you for the opportunity to contribute.**
* **Often information about events in school is communicated very late and gives stress. Some information sent by text not the blog.**
* **Need more consistency of homework and class tasks.**
* **Communication with parents is key. Current means of communication not adequate.(in relation of monitoring child’s progress)**
* **The Head teacher has put the school on the right path to achieve improvement.**
* **My child is a very happy little girl at school. Thank you!**
* **I feel that the school offers breadth and balance across the curriculum.**
* **I have never known what themes my daughter is covering. It would be good to see what she is learning about.**
* **My daughter is happy at school and it is clear that the staff try their best to accommodate every type of learner.**
* **My son is happy at this school and as a parent that’s what matters. We have complete confidence in the current SMT.**
* **Concept of time should be introduced in P1.**
* **So relieved with the improvement in this school.**
* **Changing Rooms for P.E would be beneficial.**
* **Modernise the playground.**
* **The Green Card system is a good system and appears to be working well especially when used consistently.**
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**Thank you**

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