



**Langbank Primary School** 

# School Improvement Plan 2023/24

# Planning framework

As part of Children's Services, Langbank Primary School has developed this establishment improvement plan which provides a framework for how we intend to achieve Children's Services' vision of working together to get it right for children, families and communities — Protecting, learning, achieving and nurturing.

#### **National Priorities**

We also have to take account of the Scottish Government's national improvement framework which provides a vision for education in Scotland, namely to:

- 1. place the human rights and needs of every child and young person at the centre of education;
- 2. improve attainment, particularly in literacy and numeracy;
- 3. close the attainment gap between the most and least disadvantaged pupils;
- 4. improve children's health and wellbeing; and
- 5. improve children and young people's employability skills so that they move into positive and sustained destinations.

#### Renfrewshire's Education Priorities

Our priorities will also align with the Renfrewshire Council Plan and Education Improvement Priorities listed on pages 3 and 4.

#### **Pupil Equity Funding**

Our school receives Pupil Equity Funding (PEF) to provide targeted interventions in literacy, numeracy and health and wellbeing to close the poverty related attainment gap. This funding enables us to plan additional interventions to those which were already planned. These interventions are highlighted throughout this improvement plan using the (PEF) abbreviation.

The priorities and actions within this improvement plan address the needs of our school and articulate with local and national priorities.

# **Renfrewshire Council Plan Strategic Outcomes**

# Cross cutting theme: Improving outcomes for children and families

We will encourage kind and connected communities— where our citizens take pride in their place, attracting others to move here and share in the opportunities Renfrewshire has to offer.

We will support a strong and flexible local **economy**—with Renfrewshire able to adapt after the pandemic, building up resilience to support good green jobs and skills for all local people to enjoy the benefits of both living and working here.

We want Renfrewshire to be a fair place—where all our people have the best chances to live happy, healthy and fulfilled lives, to feel safe, supported and empowered to unlock the strength of our collective potential.

We are working towards a greener future—taking responsibility for our impact on the planet and taking brave, bold steps to protect the natural environment that supports and benefits us all.

We want our employees to feel proud to work for Renfrewshire Council because we are a **values** driven organisation, where we all understand and value our contributions, and we are passionate about making a difference for Renfrewshire.

# **Renfrewshire Council's Values**

We are **fair**, we treat each other and everyone we deal with respectfully and work hard to build trust in Renfrewshire Council.

We are helpful, we care about getting things right and are always approachable.

We are great collaborators; we work as one team and with people who care about this place.

We value **learning** to help us innovate, improve and deliver better services.

## **Children's Services Vision**

Working together to get it right for children, families and communities – protecting, learning, achieving and nurturing

# **Renfrewshire's Education Improvement Plan Priorities**

Protecting the most vulnerable members of our communities including children and young people who are at risk. Work will progress to ensure Renfrewshire keeps the Promise and delivers improved outcomes for individuals who are care experienced. Where possible children will be kept within their families and priority given to securing provision for kinship care.

Family supports and focussing on early intervention, by equipping parents and carers with the information, skills and support they need to ensure positive outcomes for children and young people in their care, whilst providing opportunities for parents and carers to shape the services that impact them.

Enhancing supports around mental health and wellbeing, including the school-based mental health and wellbeing programme and the Ren10 network of staff and volunteers who provide early help services to those in need.

Enhance learning and teaching, delivering a meaningful, relevant and progressive curriculum that supports a wide range of learner pathways by placing the rights and needs of every child and young person at the centre of education. Efforts will focus on raising attainment while ensuring equity for all. There will be a sustained focus on delivering a curriculum that equips all children and young people to achieve success in life.

Through a shared vision and understanding of inclusion, children and young people will experience inclusive learning experiences and supportive relationships which lead to positive life outcomes

# **Our Vision, Values and Aims**

# **Our School Community Vision**

At Langbank Primary, we ensure that all our children are supported and challenged in a safe and happy environment to enable them to achieve their full potential.

# **School Values (REACH)**

# Respect Effort Achievement Compassion Honesty

# **School Aims**

- Inspire a love for learning
- Deliver a stimulating and relevant curriculum
- Develop resilient and independent learners
- Foster self-respect and respect for others

#### Who did we consult?

To identify our priorities for improvement, we sought the views of staff, pupils, parents and carers and partners, we used a variety of methods of getting the views of those who are involved in the life and work of Langbank Primary School such as:

Learners	Parents/Carers	Staff	Partners
<ul> <li>Pupil Council meetings</li> <li>Active Assemblies</li> <li>House Representatives</li> <li>School Committees</li> <li>Hot Chocolate Friday –         <ul> <li>Informal Discussions</li> </ul> </li> <li>Pupil questionnaires and feedback</li> <li>Strengths and improvement consultation</li> <li>'I would like to say' box</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Annual Report feedback</li> <li>Parent Evenings</li> <li>Parent Council meetings</li> <li>Monthly newsletters</li> <li>Induction Days</li> <li>Team around the Child meeting (TAC)</li> <li>Parental evaluations of school events</li> <li>Sharing the Learning/Communication via Seesaw app</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Staff meetings</li> <li>In-Service Days</li> <li>Curriculum Development Sessions</li> <li>Regular Self-evaluation linked to Quality indicators (HGIOS 4)</li> <li>Individual Forward Plan feedback with SLT</li> <li>Annual Personal Review and Development meetings</li> <li>Regular review of School Improvement Plan priorities</li> <li>Education Scotland Professional Learning materials</li> <li>Consultation exercise 'Identifying Priorities for Improvement'</li> <li>Attainment and Getting it right for every child (GIRFEC) meetings</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Informal feedback through discussions</li> <li>Park Mains Cluster Schools</li> <li>Transition Meetings with Early Years Centres and Secondary Schools</li> <li>Meetings with Active Schools Co-ordinator</li> <li>Regular collaborative meetings with Educational Psychologist</li> <li>Feedback sessions with community partners Tesco Port Glasgow, Langbank Church, Langbank bowling club.</li> <li>Visitor feedback surveys.</li> </ul>

All information gathered is collated and used to assist us to identify next steps and areas for improvement.

### How will we know if we are achieving our aims?

We will measure and evaluate the progress we are making to achieve the key outcomes set out in this plan. We do this using quality assurance activities that include

- Regular Self-evaluation linked to Quality indicators (HGIOS 4)
- Target setting which allows tracking over the session to maintain highest attainment
- Forward Plans are reviewed by staff and Senior Leadership Team (SLT). termly, followed by professional dialogue
- Analysis of assessment data from ongoing class assessments, summative assessments and standardised assessments
- Class visits in various subject areas to monitor the children's learning experiences
- Pupils' work monitored termly samples of jotters/workbooks, seesaw and learning conversations
- Staff observing colleagues/classes at other stages and developing feedback/professional dialogue
- Termly GIRFEC meetings to monitor impact and/or identity early intervention
- ASN Overview within Whole School Tracker
- Team around the Child (TAC) meetings
- A range of award assemblies where success within the four capacities and wider achievement are celebrated
- Regular meetings with SFO's to discuss repairs and maintenance of school building
- Regular meetings with SDO to keep up to date with school budget and spending

Each year we also complete a standards and quality report and self-evaluation document which are monitored by Renfrewshire Council Children's Services' staff

# Improvement Priority 1 – Improvement in children's and young people's Health and Wellbeing

# HGIOS/HGIOELC

Qis 2.4, 2.7 & 3.1

#### **NIF Priorities**

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- Improvement in employability skills and sustained, positive school leaver destinations for all young people

#### **NIF Drivers**

- 1. School Leadership
- 4. Assessment of Children's Progress
- 2. Teacher Professionalism
- 5. School Improvement
- 3. Parental Engagement
- 6. Performance Information

Rationale for change	Outcome and Expected Impact	Measures	Interventions
	·		CIRCLE Framework
The Scottish Government's pledge to	For all children but in particular	Staff complete CIRCLE audits to plan	
incorporate children's rights into legislation is reflected in Renfrewshire's commitment to	identified children with ASN, there will be an increase in their engagement and	and review identified changes.	By the end of 2023-24 all staff will receive initial training on the CIRCLE Framework. Staff will use
ensuring all children and young people have a	readiness to learn.	Pre and post circle training	the framework as a guide to ensure their
voice and are empowered to be human rights	reduitess to learn.	questionnaires for staff.	classroom environment reflects the needs of their
defenders.	A shared understanding and a	questionnancs for starr.	learners.
defenders.	consistent approach across the whole	Leuven scale to measure	rearriers.
Data gathered from our school's RNRA	school in delivering RNRA.	engagement.	All staff will complete a learning space audit and
Action group identified the need for a		engagement.	make changes as appropriate.
consistent approach towards supporting	All classroom environments will use a	GWMP survey results show an	make shanges as appropriate.
Health and Wellbeing across the school. It is	consistent approach to visuals, the	improvement in key areas Sept and	All staff will use individual assessments to identify
imperative that we consider children's rights	physical environment including a quiet	April. especially within 'Autonomy' by	needs and supports for identified pupils.
whenever we take decisions, and to help	space in each learning space.	June 2024.	
provide every child with a good start in life			Renfrewshire's Nurturing Relationship
and a safe, healthy and happy childhood.	Pupils will benefit from improved positive relationships.	Number of pupils/number of occasions a pupil is accessing a safe	<u>Approaches</u>
Self-evaluation has led to the need to refresh	positive relationships.	space analysed prior to tracking	All staff to participate in training for 'Nurture is
our school Vision, Values and Aims to reflect		meetings.	essential for wellbeing' including how this may
Langbank Primary School's children, families,	Parents/Carers feeling more involved in	meetings.	present and how adults can adapt the
staff and community of today.	supporting their child's learning at school and home.	Pre and post parental evaluations	environment to support children.
		Questionnaire for children, staff and parents at the start of year on the implementation of transition passports for all children.	Implementation of Transition Passports for all children.

#### The Promise

Renfrewshire council is committed to keeping The Promise to listen and respond to the voices and needs of the care experienced community. This will mean that all staff will ensure any barriers to education are removed and will work to widen the opportunities and positive experiences that care experienced children and young people can access.

Survey results to show an increased awareness and confidence in supporting pupils who are care experienced or have experienced trauma.

Pupils needs are well understood and supported, ensuring all pupils are reaching their full potential.

By end of session 2023-24, almost all children will be familiar with a number of articles of the CRC and talk about the rights they enjoy

#### **GIRFEC Refresh**

The national refresh of GIRFEC approaches has heralded an update of the Renfrewshire GIRFEC policy and staged intervention process. New paperwork will strengthen wellbeing assessment and planning. A program of training for staff has been rolled out.

Langbank Primary School has an increase in the number of children with ASN.

Single and Multiagency Plans will allow for a more coherent way to ensure appropriate supports are implemented and identify how we will work more closely with partners.

# Positive Relationships Policy

Develop a positive relationships steering group – learners, parents and staff.

Create a Positive Relationships Policy guided by the CIRCLE framework, UNCRC, the Principles of Nurture and The Promise.

#### **Rights Respecting School**

SLT will lead training for staff
Assemblies focussed on UNCRC, Relationships,
Health and wellbeing, being valued, being heard.
Pupil council will complete Bronze Rights
Committed Award.

School will have met the criteria for Bronze by October 2023 and will have met some of the criteria for Silver by June 2024.

Pre and Post Promise Training Survey

#### Who Cares? Scotland

All staff will receive initial training on Feb inservice on The Promise. A Promise keeper to be appointed.

#### **GIRFEC**

All teaching staff will receive training on the refreshed GIRFEC policy

- staged intervention process
- new planning formats

All teaching staff will transition to using the new planning formats.

## Improvement Priority 2 – Raising Attainment in Literacy and Numeracy

# HGIOS/HGIOELC QIs

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School attainment for Literacy and Numeracy in June 2023 was very good for almost all children. ACEL data identifies a barrier for some children in Writing and Numeracy. 5% of children within Langbank Primary are recognised as being Dyslexic.  **Achieved On Track to Achieve Expected CIE Level**  **Achieved On Track to Achieve Expected CIE Level**  **Analysis of data and through our self-evaluation process staff have identified that further training for all staff is required in accessibility tools to improve attainment for our learners.	By June 2024 attainment in writing and numeracy for target group will increase by 15%.  Staff feeling increased confidence in providing tools to reduce barriers to learning.  Children feeling empowered to achieve their full potential.  Parents have an increased understanding on using accessibility tools to support their child's learning experiences.	Teacher's confidence survey in using the Chromebook and iPad accessibility tools in Oct 2023 and May 2024.  Pupil survey to measure confidence (target group)  Parental confidence survey in using accessibility tools to support homework (Target group).	Accessibility Tools All staff training on innovative tools to help ASN pupils. Such as Chromebook and iPad accessibility tools.  SLT to lead collegiate time focussed on accessibility tools.  SLT to facilitate 1 to 1 or group opportunities for Class Teachers to work with children on how to use accessibility tools.  Parental workshops (target group) on using accessibility tools to support homework.

Talk for Writing was introduced as a whole By June 2024, all children currently on Talk 4 Writing Provide professional learning for new teaching staff school approach to teaching of writing in track for literacy and Numeracy will Assessment data will be gathered session 2022-23. maintain their progress or increase from each hot piece throughout This methodology has shown an increase in beyond their level for their age and Provide refresher training for current staff (Teaching session 2023-24. and Non-teaching) including CLPL for new and attainment for almost all learners this year. stage. Target group will see an increase in returning staff in fiction and non-fiction writing. Termly tracking meetings with class 8 children across the school are not attaining writing attainment by 12% teachers and HT to monitor writing expected levels for their age and stage. 6 of All classes to complete 2 units per term (1 fiction progress. the 8 children have an identified Additional Staff increased confidence in and 1 non-fiction) support need. delivering Writing approach SNSA Writing Assessment P1, P4 and Literacy Champion to maintain operation plan for Increased parental understanding of Talk 4 Writing approach e.g. Create/maintain a the 'Talk 4 Writing' approach to allow whole school reading spine, create/maintain a Staff confidence questionnaire Preparents to support the approach at whole school overview with resources linked to Post training home. units Parental Pre and Post Talk 4 writing Establish effective procedures for quality assurance workshop survey of the approach with cluster primaries. Peer class visits/feedback Embed the assessment approached introduced in session 2022/23 Moderation exercises Opportunities for moderation across levels within school. Parental workshop to inform about Writing approach **Skills Awareness** Staff will receive training from PMHS in Nov 2023 to **Skills Development** 2023-2028 raise awareness and have a shared understanding Staff evaluations of learning and We recognise the importance of increasing A skills framework is developed within of the 6 key skills developed in partnership with teaching. employability skills so that our pupils the cluster and pupils will be able to local employers. understand the value and relevance of the reflect upon the skills they have skills they are acquiring for the world of developed across learning Pupil focus groups Staff will plan learning experiences to develop these work. 6 key skills with pupils. experiences. In Langbank Primary School pupils across the Cluster baseline (Nov 2023) and post school would benefit from a more skills Skills will be identified through T4W lessons survey based approach to learning. This will allow

our pupils to explore a pupil led approach to their learning and allow them to transfer skills to new and unfamiliar context.	Cluster baseline (Nov 2023) and post survey which will demonstrate an increase in awareness and confidence of pupils and staff.	Evaluation of World of work week	Whole school World of Work week to highlight how these 6 key skills are required to aid employment in many different professions.
ACEL data shows attainment of numeracy across the school P1- P7 is from 60% to 100%. This indicating the need to raise and maintain attainment and achievement for all in Numeracy and Maths.	An increase of 10% in Numeracy and Maths attainment at P6.	Standardised assessment data including ACEL/SNSA at P1, P4 and P7 GL assessment for P2, P3, P5, P6	Numeracy  All teaching staff will transition to using new Math's Planners in session 2023/24  Further CLPL training on how to use planners to support transition
The new Renfrewshire Maths Planners have been devised to incorporate key methodologies (Including SEAL), streamline skills across a level and supporting effective teaching by using high quality rich tasks that provide breadth and depth. In session 2022/23, some teachers began utilising the new planners to support learning and teaching with positive impact. There is a need for a progressive and consistent approach across the school to raise/maintain current attainment.	Full transition to the new Renfrewshire Maths progression planners will be evident at all stages by December 2023 to ensure a structured, progressive and consistent approach to maths and numeracy resulting in higher quality learning experiences for all children.	Sumdog diagnostic assessments  Termly tracking meetings to monitor identified children  Professional Dialogue during forward plan feedback meeting	Numeracy Champion to lead and support implementation of planners using Inservice/collegiate time to build staff's confidence  Family 'Maths' workshops led by our Numeracy Champion which will focus on 'Maths anxiety' and 'Making numeracy fun at home'