Dear Parents / Carers,

Standards and Quality Reporting 2018/19
National guidance published by Education Scotland states that “Schools must provide an annual Standards and Quality report, as a record of progress with their annual improvement plan, and defining the local and NIF (National Improvement Framework) priorities for the coming year.”

Our Standards and Quality Report has been agreed by South Lanarkshire Council and it will be uploaded to our school’s website by Friday 14th September.

School Improvement Plan

Each year, we identify key priorities in our school to develop quality teaching and learning, forming our “SIP” or School Improvement Plan. This year, our key priorities are aligned with the Scottish Government’s National Improvement Framework (known as the NIF).

For more information on this, please visit: http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Education/Schools/NationalImprovementFramework

School Improvement Plan

Our SIP priorities for this year include:

1. Continue to improve consistency of delivery of learning and teaching – Nursery – P7 within LITERACY/NUMERACY with a focus on pace, challenge and differentiation. This includes the implementation of the BENCHMARKS at the planning stages ensuring whole school tracking is more rigorous.

2. Raising attainment in P1-7 Writing through a consistent approach to learning, teaching and assessment.

3. Implement and embed high quality learning and teaching across all stages in Maths and Numeracy.

4. Health and Wellbeing programme to be updated to include all recent developments within Sexual Health and Relationships and Nurture.

5. Priorities will be linked to the Nursery 1140 hours developments as these have been brought forward and will be in place for August 2018.


7. Assessment – evaluate all current assessment procedures within the school and Nursery to ensure a more rigorous and coherent schedule of assessment – both from S.M.T., teacher and pupil.

8. Leadership – evaluate the current remits of all staff, ensuring ALL staff are given purposeful priorities in the school to take forward such areas as early Intervention – focus support in Nursery and P1 – P3, provided by SST and newly appointed ASN teacher and internally to ensure gap is closing for individuals and groups with particular focus to pupils in SIMD 1 and 2.

9. Moderation / Transition – Continue as a school and Learning Community Priority

10. HGIOS 4 – implementation throughout liaison / In set sessions, with staff evaluating current practice against the indicators, to formulate an ongoing review of progress.


Leadership Groups

We have started to arrange our leadership groups for session 2018/19. Some positions are still to be filled and these will be reported to you as soon as the group is formed.

**P6 Mediators**

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Dates for Your Diary

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  - House Captain Speeches

- **Wednesday 19th September**
  - Parent Council meeting 3.15pm

- **Friday 21st / Monday 24th September**
  - Friday 21st
  - Monday 24th

- **September Weekend**
  - Wednesday 26th September
  - Photographer visiting the school to take whole school / Nursery photographs

- **Thursday 11th October**
  - Parents’ Evening

- **Open Evening**

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House Captains

Our Primary 7 pupils are in the process of preparing their House Captain Speeches. Every year a group of Primary 7 pupils apply for the job of House Captain or Head Boy/Girl. This takes a lot of preparation and the pupils need to be prepared to stand up in front of the whole school to deliver the reasons why they would be an excellent House Captain. Mrs Campbell has been working with them on their speeches and many children help their application by bringing along a variety of visuals as well as some delivering Powerpoint presentations.

Once all the speeches have been delivered the pupils across the school then vote for the pupils they want to represent them. The presentations will take place on Friday 14th September. Good luck everyone.

School Values

Thank you to everyone who returned the audit form to help us update our school values. We now have our 6 core values and these will be displayed in all classes and throughout the school.

Values

Respectful  
Friendship  
Honesty  
Kindness  
Hard Working  
Responsible

Tree of Knowledge

Over the next few weeks the P5, P6 and P7 pupils will be undertaking a series of workshops to help with resilience and unlocking their true potential. There will be a variety of workshops allowing children to explore a range of feelings and there will be a chance for each individual to fully embed many life skills.

Parent Council

The first meeting of the Parent Council will be on Wednesday 19th September at 3.15pm. We extend a warm welcome to all our new Parents / Carers of our Primary 1 pupils and other new pupils throughout the school to attend his meeting. Meetings take about an hour and are held once a month. If you would like to know any more information before coming along please contact the school office.

Nursery

We have had a busy start to the new Nursery year with all the boys and girls in Nursery full time. The new Nursery hours are 8.45am till 2.45pm. The children have settled really well with their new teacher and with all their new routines.