## Welcome TO P7

### 2023 - 2024

## The Curriculum Areas of Learning

- ✓ Language and Literacy;
- ✓ Mathematics and Numeracy;
- ✓ICT;
- ✓ Thinking Skills and Personal Capabilities;
- $\checkmark$  The Arts;
- ✓ The World Around Us;
- Personal Development and Mutual
  - Understanding;
- ✓ Physical Education; ✓ R.E.

## Language and Literacy

<u>Reading</u> – using novels and poetry books. Guided reading sessions will take place in class and pupils will also be set pages to read every evening. This area also includes comprehension activities during which pupils will be asked to justify their responses logically with reference to evidence within the text.

Writing – writing for a variety of purposes and audiences. Expressing thoughts, feelings and opinions in an imaginative and factual writing. Pupils will also develop competences in the use of grammar and punctuation to create clarity of meaning. To help improve their independent spelling we will be using 'The Complete Spelling Programme'. Spelling activities will be completed in class to consolidate the learning. A daily spelling test will be completed in class, with the use of a dictation as part of their Friday test.

<u>Talking and Listening</u> – class, group and paired activities in both talking and listening. Pupils should show an awareness of their audience when giving an oral presentation including the use of multimedia presentations.

## Mathematics and Numeracy

<u>Processes</u> – communicating mathematically, understanding mathematical language, developing different approaches to problem solving.

<u>Number</u> – four operations, times tables, place value, fractions, decimals, percentages, money.

<u>Shape and Space</u> – properties of 2D and 3D shapes, lines and angles, compass and direction, co-ordinates, tessellations, line and rotational symmetry. Using ICT to understand movement and to generate shapes, pictures and patterns.

Data Handling – using a range of tables and charts, spreadsheets and data bases to interrogate and interpret results. Finding the probability of events using fractions.

<u>Measures</u> – length, weight, capacity, volume, temperature, scale/area, perimeter, time (12 hour and 24 hour) and timetables.

# World Around Us

#### Topics will include -

Victorians

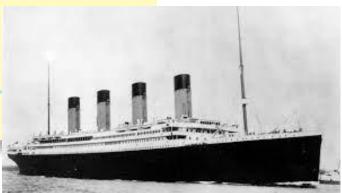


Volcanoes



Titanic





# Physical Education

All children will be given opportunities to follow a programme that involves a range of sports and activities.

Pupils should come to school dressed in their PE kit on a Friday (dark tracksuit bottoms/leggings, a white polo shirt, trainers and their school jumper).

Alannah Marshall will be providing multi-sports coaching in Term 1. Swimming will be at Carrickfergus Amphitheatre in Term 2.

In previous years our P7 pupils have also received coaching in a variety of sports such as cricket and rugby. We hope to participate in these lessons again this year if they are available.

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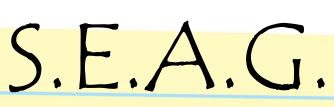
 Use of laptops, computers and a range of other digital technologies such as our class set of iPads;

✓ C<mark>ross-curricular approach;</mark>

Develop skills in PowerPoint presentations or Adobe Express, independent research for relevant information, sending and receiving e-mails, working with spreadsheets and Scratch.

✓ Focus on E-safety, both in school and at home.

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Some Important details.....

S.E.A.G. Assessment dates for the 2023/2024:

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2023 Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Provisional date for results – Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2024

For more information you can go to www.seagni.co.uk

### Homework

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At the beginning of the year, the 'homework diary' will be uploaded to Seesaw.

In the second half of the year we will move to using diaries in order to help prepare the pupils for their move to post-primary school.

### Homework Routine

- Reading: Mon Thurs
- Spellings: written out and learnt Mon Wed (daily spelling test in class Tues – Thurs). Revised on Thurs for Friday Test and spelling homework books handed in on a Friday.
- Written/Learning homework: set Mon Thurs and returned the next day.

## Class Assessments

- The first assessments will take place during January/February and the results will be discussed during Parent-Teacher interviews in February.
- Assessments will also be completed in May and the results will be recorded in the Pupil Profile in June.

## Target Setting

- All pupils will be set individual targets. These targets will be discussed with the pupils and will be displayed on their desk.
- The targets will be reviewed termly(by both pupil and teacher) and new targets will be set.
- Please help to support your child by discussing the targets with them when their target books are sent home for you to sign.



### Shared Education Signature Project (SESP) What is SESP?

Schools from different sectors in education, providing opportunities for pupils, staff and the community to engage in collaborative and meaningful learning experiences together.

We are pleased to announce that we will be participating in Shared Education lessons with pupils from Acorn Integrated Primary School again this year.

### Tips For Parents Please sign written homeworks daily and Friday Test book;

Please sign written homeworks daily and Friday Test book;
Please ensure your child's spellings are written out and learned each night with Spelling Homework books returned on a Friday;
Listen to your child's reading regularly;
Numeracy facts (e.g. tables) should be continually revised with your child (they will be given a 'Facts File' to help with this);

Encourage your child to take part in all school opportunities.

<u>Useful Websites for Pupils</u> ✓ www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize ✓ www.code.org ✓ www.abcya.com ✓ www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk ✓ www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/ ✓ www.coolmath4kids.com/



### Safer Schools NI App



Our School is pleased to use the **Safer Schools NI App**. This App provides relevant and critical updates from the Department of Education and from Safer Schools which will keep parents and carers up to date with emerging trends, risks and threats in the digital world.

The Safer Schools NI App is mentioned and referenced in our Fortnightly Newsletters.

For more information, download the Safer Schools NI App via the App or play store.

Select your role - 'Parent/Carer'

◆Login or register with your email and password of choice

♦Use the passcode '6025'



#### School Website



#### www.oakfieldprimaryschool.com

Holiday List	Staffing
Latest news	Parent newsletters
Primary Menus	Extra Curricular info
Calendar	Shared Education
Class Pages	Facebook Link

Oakfield Primary School & Nursery Unit On Facebook



- Like our page and posts.
- Please do not tag people!
- Please do not make comments about photographs/posts.

#### Social Media

Please consider carefully if you post comments on social media sites about individual members of Oakfield staff or our school.

Legal action may be taken if deemed appropriate.

### G.D.P.R.

The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) which came into effect on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2018 and introduced changes to the information that an organisation must provide to individuals relating to how it uses and stores personal data.

In the parent area of our school website we have published a data protection policy and privacy notice for parents, pupils, families, carers and legal guardians which is GDPR compliant within educational settings.