

Each year the staff, governors and children of St Francis' Primary School work together to make a School Development Plan.

We decided on our targets for September 2018 – June 2019.

St Francis' Primary School provides a high quality, rounded education which develops the complete potential of all our school family and teaches each one to respect themselves and others unconditionally. We inspire pupils to thrive in a Christ centered learning environment of faith, friendship and fun. Through the holistic enrichment of every child, we enhance their talents and advocate sharing them for the good of others. We welcome and value our whole school community as full participants in the child's learning journey; working together hand in hand with Christ who is the unseen but ever present teacher.

Everyone is an achiever; with God all things are possible.

This is the final year of our 3-year School Development Plan. A new SDP will be written in Autumn 2019.

Child-centred Provision

- As a staff we will continue to use the 'Catholic Ethos: A Framework for Self-Reflection' by the Catholic Schools Trustee Support Service for the Diocese of Down and Connor. Section 2 Religious Education.
- Development of the outdoor area mainly the small garden area at entrance to school- through a music wall, water wall etc. and improve the play equipment for break time and lunch time.
- Investigate a wider range of sports coaches to deliver coaching throughout the school, including female sports e.g. netball
- To deliver a greater variety of afterschool clubs languages, music, art, cookery etc.
- To promote a love of learning and develop personal resilience of staff and pupils through an exploration of the Growth Mind-set.
- Begin the process of achieving the Dyslexia Friendly Mark by researching and completing an audit of current school practices.
- To implement the new SEN Framework; The SEND Act, revised SEND regulations, revised SEND Code of Practice and the SEND Capacity Building Programme



High Quality Teaching and Learning

Foundation Stage

• To introduce See-Saw app for more effective and informative observations and to develop greater links with parents.

Numeracy

- Focus area; to develop Problem Solving skills throughout the school.
- Investigate the possibility of Mathletics to improve numerical understanding.
- To develop a greater attitude and awareness of Numeracy through workshops, parent's weeks etc.

Literacy

- Continue the focus of Punctuation and Grammar.
- To research and purchase a spelling scheme for use in Key Stage One and Key Stage Two to enhance the teaching and learning of spelling which includes phonics and spelling rules.

ICT

- Using ICT Incorporate Further Desirable features/ Using Levels & Line of Progression to assess ICT.
- To develop Digital Leaders throughout the school.
- To introduce coding apps and games throughout the school.

Assessment

• Use Summer tests 2018 and CATs4 testing to identify underachieving pupils and put in place strategies to support these pupils.

SEN

- Liaise with the Educational Psychologist and consult on pupils requiring input from outside agencies.
- To implement the new SEN Framework throughout the school to enhance the provision of SEN and ensure each child on the SEN Register has access to a broad and balanced curriculum and reaches their full potential.

Effective Leadership

- Review and update the school prospectus in line with current school policies and procedures.
- To reconstitute the Board of Governors and have new Governors in place to serve 2018-2022.
- To continue to partake in the PEACE IV initiative, with pupils and staff working collaboratively with another school from a different management structure – Spa Primary School.
- To complete a full evaluation of the school polices, practices and procedures, in preparation for writing the new school development plan 2019-2022.
- To further develop the role of our link governors to ensure that they are fully involved in the life of our school.

A School Connected to its' Local Community.

- Extended use of Facebook and of school website to provide materials for parents to support children's learning.
- Continue to rotate the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation on a yearly basis between the 2 chapels in the parish (Drumaroad and Clanvaraghan)
- Continue to support parents with parental workshops in Literacy, Numeracy and ICT (especially the whole school focus).

