

St. Elphin's (Fairfield) C.E.  
Primary School

Meet the teacher

KS1

# Welcome to KS1

Y1

Miss Anderson

Mrs Morris

Y2

Mrs Bonnar

Miss Ashcroft

PPA

Miss Buckley

Miss Davies

Teaching Assistants

Miss Finch

Mrs Shankland

Miss Green

Mrs Hughes

HLTA

Mrs Thompson

Phonic Support

Mrs Priestley

Speech and

Language/Intervention

Miss Hayes

## Attendance and punctuality

- School starts at 8.45am. Register closes at 9am.
- Appointments and holidays need to be taken out of school.
- Look in the planner for more information about attendance.

We ask our children to be an attendance **HERO** –

Here  
Everyday  
Ready  
On time

## Start and end of the day

- In a morning children in KS1 need to be brought into the playground by an adult, who needs to stay with them until school starts.
- At the end of the day the children need to be picked up by a named adult known to school.

## Behaviour and expectations

- We have high expectations for behaviour.
- We use a positive behaviour management approach whereby the children are encouraged to 'make the right choice'.
- The children are encouraged to take ownership of their own behaviour by thinking about the choices they make and about their responsibility to themselves and to others.
- We use positive praise – verbal and rewards.
- Our school values and behaviour are closely linked.



**I am always...**

**T**rying my hardest,

**H**elpful,

Following **I**nstructions,

A good **N**eighbour,

**K**eeping Our School Values.





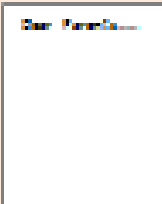
**Praise points**

**Team points**



# Take responsibility for your own behaviour.

1 Behaviour warning , reflection. 

2 Letter home. 

3 Go to Mrs. Bennett's office. You must ring home to explain your behaviour.



4 Your parents/ carers must attend a formal meeting.





# Homework

- Homework is sent home every week in line with our home learning policy.
- Homework may be topic based, English, maths or a project to be completed over a period of time.
- Reading and spellings are also part of homework and the children are expected to complete them every week.
- Please help your child to develop good habits by encouraging them to complete their homework and return it on time.

# Communication

- The school newsletter is given out each week. You can ask to have this e-mailed to you. Some classes send out their own newsletter.
- Information can also be found on our school website.
- The teachers are available to speak to you after school but would really appreciate it if you could wait until we have seen all the children safely to the adult picking them up. Mornings can be very busy, we would appreciate it if messages can be written in your child's planner or handed into the office.
- The planners are a really good tool for messages between school and home. There is also lots of useful information in there.

# Clothing

- The children need to have the correct school uniform, footwear and P.E. kit. Ties need to be worn from Y2.
- Please encourage the children to wear their uniform with pride.
- All uniform and P.E. kit needs to be labelled.
- The only earrings allowed in school are studs and they need to be removed for P.E..
- No other jewellery or nail varnish is allowed.

# Reading



READING  
is the  to  
SUCCESS

The MORE  
that you read,  
the MORE things  
you will know.  
The MORE that you  
learn,  
the MORE places you'll go.



BETWEEN  
THE PAGES  
OF A BOOK  
— IS A —  
LOVELY  
PLACE TO BE

The LOVE OF  
BOOKS  
IS THE ROOT  
OF ALL  
hAPPINESS

The whole world opened to me  
◊ when I learned to read. ◊

-Mary Mcleod Bethune

# Reading

- Reading to your child teaches them how to use their voice to read e.g. character voices.
- Reading helps to develop vocabulary.
- Reading gives the children ideas for their writing.
- Reading gives your child access to the whole curriculum.
- Reading opens up a whole new world for your children to enjoy.

# Reading

- We expect the children to read, at home, at least three times a week.
- Regular reading improves the children's fluency. Fluency helps the children to understand their reading.
- It's important to develop the children's comprehension skills, so ask questions about what they have read and encourage them to think about their reading.
- Try and encourage the children to read a variety of things, both fiction and non-fiction, as often as they can.
- Please sign their planner to show that your child has read at home.
- Reading books will be changed, if your child has read at home.



- *Bug Club is an on-line reading club which is accessible to the children.*
- *Log-ins will be sent home so that the children can access Bug Club.*



# Handwriting

We have made changes to the way that we approach the teaching of handwriting.

- The children in Nursery and Reception will be taught the precursive alphabet. This will still be taught in letter families.

a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z

- The children in Y1 and onwards will be taught lead in strokes and flicks, once they have consistent letter formation.

a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z

- The children in Y2 and onwards will be taught cursive handwriting.

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

# Parent partnerships

- We encourage you to be involved in our school.
- You will be invited into school to take part in our launch, locks and other events in school.
- If you feel you have skills to share please let us know!
- We have a small group of parents who listen to children read. If you feel you would like to be involved, please contact us.