

Homework

- Pupils will have their homework given out on a Monday and collected on a Friday.
- Each week there will be spellings, reading, times tables/division facts revision, a Literacy focus, a Numeracy focus, Religion activities and occasionally, World Around Us work.
- Homework can be spread out in the week to you and your child's agreement, however it is vital that spellings, reading and times table revision is done every night to develop their knowledge.
- Please ensure your child has their signed Reading Record and reading book in school with them every day.



Topic Work

Pupils in P7 will develop their scientific, geographical and historical knowledge through a range of topics this year. Their topics this year include Ancient Egypt and Water (with links to Lough Neagh).



Pupils will also work on their **Thinking Skills and Personal Capabilities (TSPC)** throughout their topic work including: Working with Others, Being Creative, Managing Information, Problem Solving/Decision making and Self-Management. Again please encourage opportunities for your child to develop these skills at home as well. Ask your teacher for ideas if needed.

CHILD CENTRED PROVISION

At Holy Family P.S., Aughamullan we aim to meet the needs and aspirations of the pupils within the school. We aim to create a warm and positive whole school ethos, reflected in the attitudes of staff, pupils and parents. We also aim to provide a positive learning environment for all pupils where their learning is encouraged and developed within the context of their individual needs, talents and abilities.

PE kit

Pupils are required to participate in PE as a mandatory curricular area. Your child will have P.E on a Wednesday and a Friday. PE kit is navy jogging bottoms, red polo-shirt with our school crest and a green jumper with school crest and trainers. Long hair should be tied back. Please see the Parent Info tab on the school website for details.



Administration

Please try and send dinner money in an envelope on Monday mornings unless your child is off sick. Dinner money is £2.60 per day (£13 per week). We operate a Healthy Eating school policy. Please send in healthy items for snack and lunch. The school canteen will serve healthy dinners. All policy documents are discussed with the Board of Governors, staff, school council and parents.

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Before & After school clubs and activities

In Holy Family P.S., Aughamullan we offer a very wide range of after school activities. These include football skills, ICT, athletics, ECO, Irish Dancing, Healthy Kidz, and Transfer Club. Many of these only operate for P4 upwards -more info on dates and payment will follow. We would encourage you to get your children to participate in the wider life of the school.



Parent Support Group

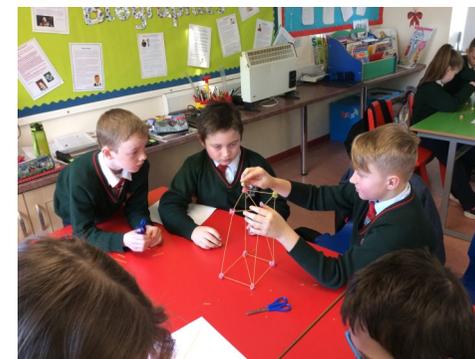
We have a Parent Support Group in Holy Family P.S., Aughamullan. We will always welcome new members and helpers for events. Information regarding the Friends of Holy Family P.S., Aughamullan will be on the school website.

If you have any queries please contact the school.

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What to expect in Primary 7

Information for parents/ guardians

Thank you for taking time to read this information on what to expect this year in P7. This leaflet can also be found on the school website www.aughamullanps.com under 'Parent Information.' If you have any questions or need assistance please phone the school office on 02887740461 and our secretary will put you in contact with the relevant person for your enquiry.

SAFEGUARDING in P7

Please read the school policy for important information. In Holy Family P.S., Aughamullan, we understand that we have a primary responsibility for the care, welfare and safety of the pupils in our charge. This charge is taken very seriously and we always carry out this duty as effectively as possible.

WHO TO CONTACT

If you have a concern regarding the safeguarding of pupils in school please contact:

Designated Child Protection Teacher

Mrs P McKernan

Deputy Child Protection Teacher

Mrs O Gorman (Principal)

PASTORAL CARE in P7

Holy Family P.S., Aughamullan is committed, above all else, to providing each pupil with the best opportunities to develop his or her full potential, socially, academically, morally, emotionally and physically. If you have any concerns please contact the class teacher or Mrs Gorman



CITIZENSHIP AND BEHAVIOUR in P7

The purpose of our school's policy for behaviour and citizenship is to:

- Encourage and praise good behaviour;
- Prevent and discourage inappropriate behaviour;
- Deal with inappropriate behaviour in a fair and consistent manner;
- Develop behavioural skills in the pupils that will benefit both them and the community in which they live and learn.

Use class Traffic Lights to encourage good behaviour;

Rewards and sanctions all centre around the Golden Rules below:

Do be kind and helpful

Do be gentle

Do listen

Do work hard

Do be honest

Do look after property



Numeracy

Your child will have a lot of knowledge and skills to work through in Primary 7. They will need your on-going support.

The areas of numeracy in Primary 7 are:

Number

- Read/write numbers up to 1000000.
- Revise times tables up to 12x and number facts!
- Long x using ThHTu by 1 digit/HTu by 2 digits
- Dividing ThHTu by a single digit—including decimals
- Understand and calculate using negative number. Know all fraction families and equivalents. Simplify fractions. X and divide by 10, 100, 1000 including decimals tenths, hundredths and thousandths. Know factors and multiples. Know prime, square, cube and triangular patterns
- Use Function Machines including decimals
- Calculate probability using fractions and %
- Understand and calculate scale e.g. 1 cm = 4 km
- Know about budgeting money and financial terms e.g. debit, debt, interest...
- Problem solve using algebra

Data Handling

Understand and use Carroll, Venn, Tree diagrams and read/ interpret and draw bar/line graphs, pie charts and tally charts.

Draw scales on graph axis

Calculate mean, average and range

Measure

- Understand and calculate perimeter/area in triangles, composite shapes
- calculate volume
- Use capacity including imperial measures
- Read and interpret 12hr and 24hr timetables/schedules

Shape and Space

- Link compass to degrees of turns in 1/8s
- Plot bearings using 360 degrees
- Calculate missing angles in triangles/quadrilaterals
- Measure and construct any given angles

Literacy

There are lots of reading, writing, spelling and grammar books and activities to get through in P7 and this work will also need your on-going support. The main areas are:

Spelling

Pupils will get spellings on Monday night. P3—P7 pupils will complete a variety of activities in school to help them learn the rules for Friday Test. They will need your daily support at home. Speak to the class teacher for strategies for learning.

Reading

Pupils need to read at least 20 minutes each day. We have silent reading time in school, guided reading activities with the teacher and comprehension development lessons. Please complete any reading homework and actively encourage reading at bedtime/ other opportunities. We use Accelerated Reader in our school to develop reading skills and understanding of texts.

Writing, punctuation and grammar

The pupils will write in a wide variety of genres including poetry, persuasive, recount, narrative etc linked to their WAU topics. They will also complete activities in an extensive range of grammar activities. Punctuation in Primary 7 will use the following - “ ” , . ? ! () * ... ; :