




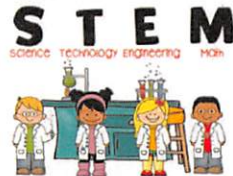






# STRANDTOWN SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Dear Parents

In September we are starting a new phase of our School Development Plan. Your questionnaires and your representation through parent focus group help inform and shape this plan, along with the ideas of the whole school community: governors, teachers, assistants and pupils. You may be interested to read though our plans for 2018-2022 to see how we plan to improve our school. This is an 'at a glance' version for parent information. More detailed information is available on the school website.

Making Good Citizens		
<p>Relationship and Sexual Education lessons will be taught in line with what is laid out in our policy. Staff are getting training on this in August. As part of our PDMU curriculum we also want children to develop a greater understanding of society, learning for life and other cultures.</p>	<p>Promotion of Healthy Eating. We will actively encourage a healthy break and adopt initiatives to promote this throughout the year. This healthy lifestyle approach will be accompanied by the daily mile. We want to adopt whole school initiatives which will support the school's application for Green Flag Eco status. In the coming year, we are going to examine how we can reduce our plastic use and disposal in school.</p> 	<p>We want to continue to adopt our whole school positive behaviour focus, 'Go for Green', with the awarding of green tokens for demonstrating actions of positive behaviour. This will also address our approaches to anti-bullying. Teachers will be discussing the consistent adoption of approaches in August.</p> <p>Introduction of a 'House System' in Strandtown PS</p>
Connected Learning Opportunities		
 <p>We want children to have more creative and free writing opportunities and will connect these experiences to our Trio of Arts: Drama, Music and Art.</p>	<p>We want to have learning experiences infused with ICT opportunities. The teachers are going to discuss in August all the ways that ipads can be used successfully in the classroom.</p> 	 <p>We are going to establish links with local artists, dramatists and musicians to enhance our creative curriculum and use drama opportunities to assist the development of empathy.</p>
Enquiry Based Learning		
<p>We would like our children to be more active in determining what and how they learn. We are going to increase pupils learning around thinking skills.</p> <p>Revision of Home Learning.</p> 	<p>We are going to develop more collaborative STEM experiences for our pupils.</p> 	<p>We are going to give pupils more opportunities to respond to feedback and be able to use that feedback to deepen their learning and improve their work.</p> 
Development of ICT		
<p>We will have an overview of how pupils learn about E- safety from Year 4 to Year 7 so that children know how to keep themselves safe online and where to seek help.</p> 	 <p>We would like to use ipads to assist with literacy and numeracy and use other assistive technology for pupils with additional needs. We will use digital opportunities for the teaching of music and dance.</p>	<p>We would like to extend pupil attainment in ICT in Key Stage assessments at the end of Year 4 and Year 7.</p> 

Our School Development Plan has actions and targets to continue to improvement progress for literacy and numeracy within school. We would also like to continue our partnership projects with certain post-primaries and primary schools and be able to rerun the Year 5 parent workshops annually.