



Primary 4/5 Newsletter

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Welcome to Primary 4/5

Welcome to another new year at Killermont Primary. We have all enjoyed getting to know each other during the first few weeks of term and are looking forward to the term ahead. There are currently 24 pupils in Primary 4/5, made up of 11 Primary 4 pupils and 13 Primary 5's.

Timetable

Mr Henderson will teach Monday to Wednesday morning and Mrs Mackinnon on Wednesday morning until Friday. We will also have Mrs Currie in with us on Tuesday mornings and Thursday afternoons.

Class Novel

This term we are reading James & The Giant Peach as our class novel, if your child could bring in a

copy we would greatly appreciate it.

P.E.

P.E. will take place on Mondays and Thursdays. Kit should be left in school and please encourage your child not to wear any jewellery on P.E. days and to bring outdoor trainers. This term we will be focusing on improving ball skills, gymnastics, tennis and dance.

Homework

We are continuing our new homework policy with children having 2 weeks to complete tasks and no homework in December, April and June. Initially homework will be issued each week on a Monday and should be handed in by the following Friday. We



would appreciate a signature on the actual piece of work to signal that you consider the work to be of an acceptable standard. We understand homework cannot always be completed in time – if this is the case, please just pop a note in your child's bag or send us an email to let us know.

Composite

Like every class at Killermont, there are several ability groups working within each class and Primary 4/5 is no different. Children sit in mixed ability groups however Primary 4's are working at First Level while Primary are working at Second Level within Curriculum for Excellence. We have the benefit of composite classes having a maximum class size of 25 pupils compared to a single stage limit of 33 pupils. The class has had a fantastic, hard-working start to the new session and has gelled together exceptionally well.

ICT

ICT is used every day in Primary 4/5 through interactive whiteboard lessons and games. We will continue to use Glow and Sumdog in addition to other relevant online resources. Our school Twitter feed ([@KillermontPS](https://twitter.com/KillermontPS)) will also be updated on a regular basis with photographs and examples of learning from class.

Behaviour

We promote positive behavior using our class-created UNCRC Class Charter and reward effort through group points and individual rewards.

Library

Our Library day this session will be every Friday morning. We encourage the children to use their maximum allocation of 2 books – one fiction and one non-fiction) and keep one in school and another at home. We also encourage children to bring in their own personal reading books for enjoyment at times throughout the day.

Wet Weather

Please send your child to school with a suitable wet weather activity for playtimes and lunchtimes when it is not suitable to go outdoors. This could be a colouring book, reading book, small toy, puzzle book but not an electronic device.



Upcoming Events

30th August 2018

Meet the Teacher

26th October 2018

Learning Journeys sent home

14th and 15th November 2018

Parent meetings

18th April 2019

Easter Service (Primary 5 performance only)

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have a question or concern regarding your child please feel free to get in touch by contacting the school office or e-mailing us at :

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