

Westquarter Primary School

Primary 4 Information



Adults in P4W

Class Teacher - Miss MacLean
Pastoral Responsibility – Mrs Sarah Boyle
Music – Mrs Brockie (every second Monday)
PE – Mr Manchip (Tuesday), Miss MacLean (Friday)
French – Mrs Baxter (Monday)

Being Prepared for School

- **Uniform** – Please ensure all clothing is labelled. Especially jumpers and cardigans as these will be taken off regularly during the school day.
- **P.E. kit** – Children should bring their P.E. kit (dark bottoms and a school polo shirt) on their P.E. days which are a Monday and Friday.
- **Water** - Children can bring a water bottle with them each day.
- **Snack** – Children should bring a small healthy snack with them each day. Children have 15 minutes for play time so this should be something they can eat quickly and still have time for playing.
- **School Lunches** – School lunches can be ordered in advance on ipay. Please discuss the choices with your child before making any selections.
- **Allergies** – There are children in our school who have serious nut allergies. No food containing nuts can be brought into school e.g. Nutella, kinder Buenos, breakfast bars etc. Please check the packaging of snacks if you are unsure.
- **Toys** – Please keep personal toys at home, unless asked to bring them in for a specific reason. Pupils should not need these in class.

Communication

I am looking forward to working in partnership with you this year to make sure that this is a positive and successful year for your child.

If you have any queries or concerns please email the school email address and I will get back to you as soon as possible. westquarterprimaryschool@education.falkirk.sch.uk Alternatively you can call the school on 01324 503950. Please let me know the reason for your enquiry as this will allow a quick and efficient response.

Updates on your child's progress will be shared via 2 in person parents' evenings and their end of year report.

Regular updates regarding the learning we are doing in class will be posted on Dojo. Please note that there is an option to message class teachers on Dojo but we are unable to reply to these messages. All communication should be sent via the school email address or phone number.

If your child is unwell and cannot attend school, please contact the school in the first instance. Please notify the office of any appointments, informing us of when your child will arrive at school/be collected/arrive back. A reminder that children must be 48 hours clear of stomach bug symptoms and a temperature

Learning in Primary 4

- Spelling - We are continuing to follow our Active Spelling programme. Children will be introduced to new phonemes/spelling words each week.
- Reading – Children will work to develop a variety of reading skills through their class novel and their own reading books. Books can also be accessed through Active Learn.
- Writing - At Westquarter we use an approach to teaching writing called Talk 4 Writing. This approach is incorporated daily in brief sessions throughout the week, integrating all literacy areas rather than one single writing lesson. We will explore a model text which aligns with the writing topic. By memorising and internalising this model text, learners are provided with a clear structure to support them when it comes to writing their own texts
- Maths – In P4 we will cover the following numeracy and maths topics: Whole Number, Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division, Fractions, Money, Time & Measure and Shape, Position & Movement. Children will also take part in daily mental maths practice and will use active maths strategies.
- IDL - IDL refers to child led topics that cover multiple curricular areas. Here are some examples of topics that have been covered in Primary 4 in previous years: Country Comparison, Bridges and Structures, Scottish Wars of Independence.

Rights Respecting Schools Westquarter's Rights Journey

- Westquarter Primary is working on the Rights Respecting Schools Award.
- We have achieved our Silver Award and are working towards Gold.
- Pupils learn about the UNCRC (United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child) and their rights in class.
- Each class will set up a Class Charter which is an agreement as a class about how the Rights of the Child will be respected.
- Pupils are **Rights Holders** and adults in school and at home are **Duty Bearers**.
- Children may discuss this with you at home. Please let us know if you would like any more information.

Article 42

All adults and children should know about this convention.

GOLD
RIGHTS RESPECTING

SILVER
RIGHTS AWARE

BRONZE
RIGHTS COMMITTED

Our Values & Expectations



inclusive

honest



trustworthy

kind



Westquarter Way



Our Routines

Wonderful Walking
Lovely Lines
Clap for Quiet
Meet and Greet



Our Positive Consequences



Recognition Board
Postcard Home
Phone Call Friday
'Cool to be Kind' Club
Mrs Ramsay's Golden Book



Our Related, Respectful and Reasonable Consequences



1. Warning, Reflect and Correct
2. Restorative Conversation
→ Consequence
3. Phone call home/meeting between teacher & parent
4. Referral to Mrs Boyle or Mrs Downie
5. Referral to Mrs Ramsay

