

Struthers Primary



Our School Values: **Respect**, **Honesty**, **Inclusion**, **Responsibility** and **Kindness**.

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Article 3 The best interests of a child must be a top priority in all things that affect children.

Article 27 Every child has the right to a standard of living that is good enough to meet their physical, social and mental needs

Article 28 Every child has the right to an education. Primary education must be free. Secondary education must be available for every child. .

Article 29 Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. It must encourage the child's respect for human rights, as well as respect for their parents, their own and other cultures, and the environment.

School Improvement Priorities

| Priority | How we will achieve this? |
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| 1. To raise attainment in Literacy with a particular focus on pupils who are not achieving expected outcomes. | We will continue to look at our reading strategies and how we can support pupil's comprehension skills. This will be in conjunction with our focus on encouraging reading for pleasure and independent reading. We had a very successful year with Reading for Gold and the development of our new library and this will continue to be developed. |
| 2. To raise attainment in Numeracy with a focus on pupils who are not achieving expected outcomes. | We are going to study all the new approaches to teaching Numeracy and Maths we have recently introduced and look at how the approaches can be brought together in more meaningful lessons. We aim to help children understand more readily how to apply the skills they learn and be able to identify when to use the correct strategies. |
| 3. To measure and track Pupil Health and Wellbeing. | We will be looking at all the Health and wellbeing outcomes for pupils and the benchmarks for their assessment and create a programme for Struthers that will ensure all children meet all outcomes and we will have measures to show this. |
| 4. Develop Parental Engagement to support all our families. | Our 2 newly appointed Acting Principal Teachers are going to be responsible for this area which will look at developing our new Family and Community room and provide opportunities for Parents to come in and learn with us. |

If you have any skills or interests in any of these particular areas and you feel you could help us please get in touch.

This Week

On Wednesday, 4 of our Primary 6 pupils attended Dolphin House for a 1+2 languages event using the outdoors. The weather was certainly on their side and they all had a fantastic day. The children completed a beach workshop, French archery and finished off with a quiz in the afternoon. They came back to school armed with resources to further embed the 1+2 approach within the school.

That's our SNSAs finally completed and we have been very impressed with the hard work and effort from all the children. We are looking forward to seeing the results when they come through.

It was an exciting day on Thursday as 'Pandamonium', Ayr United's mascot, came to visit the school to show us their recent trophy win. Each class met with the mascot and had a photo opportunity.

This week we posted on Twitter and the school website the South-Ayrshire proposal for the new August Primary 1s to start fulltime from the first day back. If you've not had a chance to read this or have your say please follow this link: <https://www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/consultations/children-starting-p1/>

The consultation will close **Friday 11th May**. If you require further information please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Just a reminder of when our Community Hub is being used:

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| Mondays | | | | |
| Tuesdays | 24 th April Book Bug | 9am | Babies & Bumps | 10-12pm |
| Wednesdays | | | | |
| Thursdays | Baby Yoga | 9-10.30am | Babies & Bumps | 2-3.30pm |
| Fridays | | | | |

Next Week

Monday is a well-earned holiday for all the pupils and staff.

As of Tuesday our Primary 1s will start to complete their second round of PIP assessments. Mrs McKellar will be popping in on Wednesday afternoon for a visit. Also on Wednesday, 29 of our young athletes will be attending the Dam Park Relay competition. This is another outside, whole day event, so we wish them the best of luck and hope for a glorious day. On Friday Ewan and Ashton from P6 will be off to Ayrshire College in Kilmarnock to compete in the K-Nex finals. Good luck boys!

After School Clubs Overview

| <u>Club</u> | <u>Day</u> | <u>Age Group</u> | <u>Finish date</u> |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|--|
| Drama | Wednesday | P5-7 | 6 th June 2018 |
| STEM | Wednesday | P3-5 | 6 th June 2018 |
| Athletics | Tuesday | P3-4 | 12 th June 2018 (due to start 1/5/18) |
| Dance | Thursday | P1-2 | 7 th June 2018 (due to start 3/5/18) |
| Football | Thursday | P4-5 | 7 th June 2018 |
| Ball Games | Friday | P1-2 | 15 th June 2018 (due to start 4/5/18) |
| Football | Friday | P6-7 | 1 st June 2018 (Excl. matchdays) |

To keep in touch with us: Website

We are still having problems with our website as it seems to be dropping the www. part of the url. Parents can still access on <http://struthers.sayr.sch.uk> at this time and it is important you keep checking the website as lots of important information is posted here.

Please keep checking the dates as some are being amended and new ones are being added.

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| Holiday | Monday 7th May |
| Dam Park Relay Competition | Wednesday 9th May |
| K-Nex Competition Final | Friday 11th May |
| Fund Raising Group Bag Packing day @ Morrisons | Saturday 12th May |
| New Life Boat Launch | Saturday 12th May |
| P6 walk to Dundonald Castle via Smugglers Path | Monday 14th May |
| Parent Anti-Bullying Workshop | Wednesday 16th May |
| School Discos | Thursday 17th May |
| P7 Team building day at Marr | Friday 18th May |
| P5 & P4/5 trip to Glasgow Science Centre | Wednesday 23rd May |
| Sports Day from 9.30am in front field | Thursday 24th May |
| Holiday | Friday 25th May |
| Holiday | Monday 28th May |
| In-Service Day | Tuesday 29th May |

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| SPCA Visit | Wednesday 30th May |
| P3 trip to Amazonia and strathclyde Park | Wednesday 6th June |
| P1 trip to Kelburn | Thursday 7th June |
| Summer Cup | Friday 8th June |
| P7 Numeracy Challenge day @ Marr | Monday 11th June |
| Whole School Show | Wednesday 13th June |
| Winning House – Odeon trip | Wednesday 13th June |
| Bump up days | Thursday 14th & Friday 15th June |
| P7 Marr Induction Days | Thursday 14th & Friday 15th June |
| P7 Leavers night at L.A.Bowl | Wednesday 20th June |
| P7 Leavers concert 2-3pm | Tuesday 26th June |
| Church Service @ 10am | Thursday 28th June |
| Schools close for summer @ 1.00pm | Friday 29th June |
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These dates **can be subject to change.**

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