



Welcome to Key Stage 1

In Key Stage One, we build on the strong foundations laid in Primary One and Primary Two, covering all six areas of the NI Primary Curriculum.

Key Stage One consists of Primary Three and Primary Four. In Primary Three, our teachers are Mrs Smith and Mrs Deyermund and in Primary Four, our teacher is Miss Coyle.

In Literacy we continue to grow our love for reading through regular Guided Reading sessions and trips to the school library, with our Accelerated Reading programme starting in Primary Four. By now we are becoming experts at reading unknown texts and applying lots of different strategies to help us. We love to read lots of different stories and non-fiction books and over the two years we start to grow into independent readers. In Key Stage One we also continue to develop our writing skills, learning how to write a variety of texts from traditional tales, fables and poems to information texts and recounts.

In Numeracy we start to explore 2 - digit and 3 - digit numbers, learning how to add and subtract these by the end of Primary Four. We start to explore multiplication and division and learn more about 3D shapes and fractions.

As with our Preschool and Foundation Stage classes, we are passionate in ensuring the holistic development of children as they move through Key Stage One. Children learn about the world around them through a variety of interesting and engaging topics and we have a strong PDMU and pastoral programme running through the school.

Even though all that sounds like a lot of hard work, we always make sure we have fun when we learn through active and practical learning. Primary Three and Primary Four continue to have Activity Based Learning sessions throughout the week to help them build on their learning even more!