

Fountain Primary School

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Welcome to the school year 2021/22! Hopefully this year things will be a bit more “normal” than the last 2 have been. The summer flew by and those few weeks of sunshine in July made it that bit more enjoyable! Unfortunately for the last week I’ve been back at work, but hope you all enjoyed the good weather for the last few days of the kid’s holiday. This school year we are lucky to have Mrs Beveridge joining us in P6/7 as our assistant, she has worked with all of your children at some in their school lives and I am thrilled to have her working alongside me this year.

In this letter I will be outlining a few details specifically for my class as Mrs. Arthur has sent a letter detailing more general school procedures.

In Primary 6/7 we will be having toast or crackers each morning. This will cost 50p per week if you want your child to have a snack in the morning. This will be either 1 slice of toast or 2 crackers, in the past children have had the option of “doubling” their snack, however this option no longer is available. The money for this should be paid on a Monday morning for the week. If you want to pay for several weeks in advance, this is an option as a record will be kept in class of who has paid.

In class, all children should have their own water bottle. This water bottled can be filled in class, however it should be kept in their schoolbag when they are not taking a drink from it.

Mrs Arthur has outlined in her letter that all absences should be recorded via the school website on the appropriate form. If you wish to contact me you can do so via the Seesaw app or via email at storney369@c2kni.net . Please remember that I will always do my best to reply to any message during the working day, 8:30am-5pm, however, teaching your child is my priority and I may not be able to give an instant response. In Mrs Arthur’s letter, she also detailed how we are moving towards the SchoolsNI app for posting information for parents, this is directly

linked with the school website. For the start of the year, we will still use Seesaw to update parents with general notices, but will direct you towards the website for information/updates when possible.

For the last 2 years, due to online learning and not being able to take books etc. to and from school, children have uploaded their homework evidence to Seesaw. This year we are returning to homework books.

Your child should complete 1 spelling and 1 tables activity each night. As well as this, each week your child will get 1 reading homework along with an activity based on what they are reading. You should sign your child's homework diary each night to show that you have checked their work.

If homework is not completed at home, the activities will be completed in school. The activities are outlined in the "Spellings & Tables Activities" book which your child will have taken home. This should be kept in their bag along with their workbooks as we will be working on these in class as well.

The equipment your child will need for the year ahead is listed on a separate page at the end of this document. It is important that your child has the equipment they need in class at all times. Having their own equipment is a great way to help them learn to be responsible for the things they own.

As always, during the year, if you need to speak to me about anything, please do. I will try to make myself available at a suitable time. However, the morning is very busy for a teacher and not a time I will hold a meeting. If you wish to meet with me, please contact me via Seesaw or email and I will arrange a date/time after school hours to have any discussion.

Yours Sincerely,

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Stephen Torney

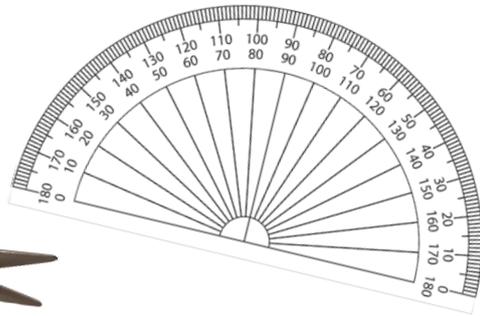
(Primary 6/7 Teacher)

Your P6/7 child will need the following in school at all times. Everything should be kept in their school bag. There are some great deals on stationary in Tesco at the moment.



Pencil case 1:

- HB Writing Pencils (x5)
- Ruler (30cm)
- Rubber
- Sharpener
- Set of Red, Green, Blue & Black Pens
- Glue Stick
- Protractor
- Small Scissors



Pencil case 2:

- Small set of colouring pencils (10-15 pencils)
- Small set of felt tip pens (10-15 pens)
- Highlighters (set of 4)

