



Maxwellton Primary School

Meet The Teacher

Primary 4



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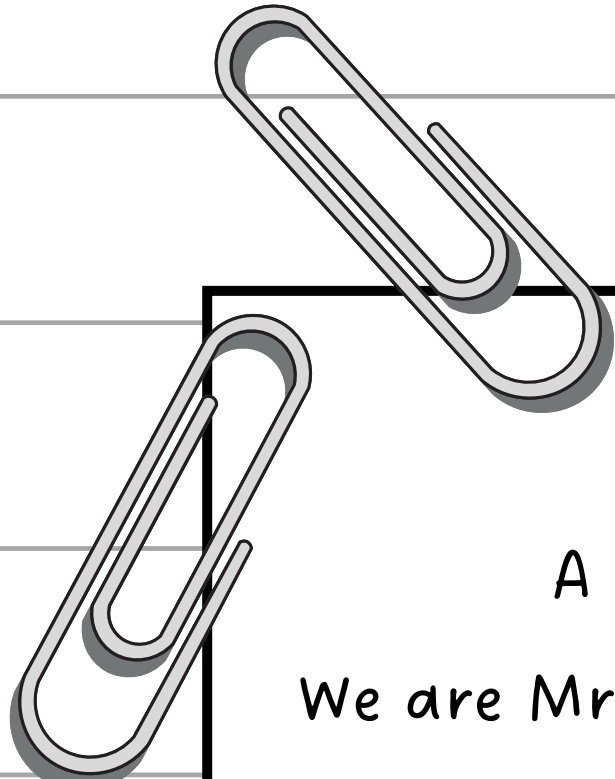
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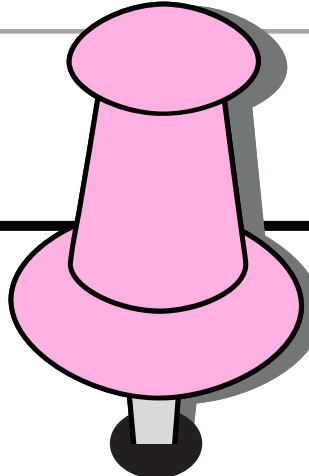
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Hello!



A huge welcome to our Primary 4 families.
We are Mrs Findlay (I work a Monday to Wednesday) and
Ms. Begg (I work a Thursday and Friday).

We are really looking forward to a fantastic year of
learning and fun with your children.

Our aim is to provide a safe, happy, inclusive and fun
place of learning where the children can thrive.



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Our Class

The children have settled into school life really well and have adapted positively to school routines and expectations.

We have 32 children in our class this year.

Mrs Findlay teaches on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and Ms. Begg on a Thursday and Friday.

NCCT (non class contact time) this year will be covered by both of us, providing each other with this time. This will focus on Health and Wellbeing and Digital Technology.



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School Vision and Values

At Maxwellton Primary School & Nursery Class we are a Rights Respecting School committed to fostering a positive, nurturing ethos where everyone feels valued, respected and included. We have consistent and high expectations which contribute to a safe and stimulating environment where all children can learn and succeed. We aim to equip children with the skills, qualities and attitudes to contribute effectively to the life of our community.

We have carefully reviewed our vision, values, and aims in consultation with every member of our school community. After thoughtful consideration, we have collectively chosen Teamwork, Respect, Achievement, Care and Kindness as our core values. Our vision is clear: Working together, we are all on the right T.R.A.C.K!"

- Teamwork: "Teamwork means we all work together like a big family. We help each other and celebrate success as a team."
- Respect: "Respect means treating everyone kindly and listening to each other. We respect our school, our teachers and ourselves."
- Achievement: "Achievement is when we work hard and do our best. It means reaching our goals and feeling proud of what we've learned."
- Care: "Care is about being kind and looking out for each other. We care for our friends, our school and our environment."
- Kindness: "Kindness is showing love and generosity to everyone. We should think of others and do our best for them. It's about being friendly, helpful and making others feel happy."



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Our Positive Relationships Charter

Our School Rules are Be Safe, Be Respectful and Be Ready and these rules are evident in our Positive Relationships Charter, the cornerstone of our Positive Relationships policy.

Positive Relationships Charter

- I will show respect and manners.
- I will respect everyone's right to be safe.
- I will have a 'can do' attitude.
- I will aim high and always try my best.
- I will make good choices and reflect on my actions.
- I will have kind hands, feet and words.
- I will be honest.

No significant learning
occurs without a
significant
relationship
- Dr. James Comer



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Our Class Charter

Primary 4 have worked super hard to create their class charter.

We spoke about the importance of working together as a team and displaying kindness and respect.

We agreed that in our classroom we all have the right to be heard, be safe, to learn and to play.

We created our own superheroes, showing that as individuals we all are unique but collectively as a class we have the powers to be amazing!



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Our Routines

Each morning at the bell, Primary 4 come upstairs to class and hang jackets up, order lunches and begin their soft start activity. Pupils choose their preferred morning greeting on entering the classroom.

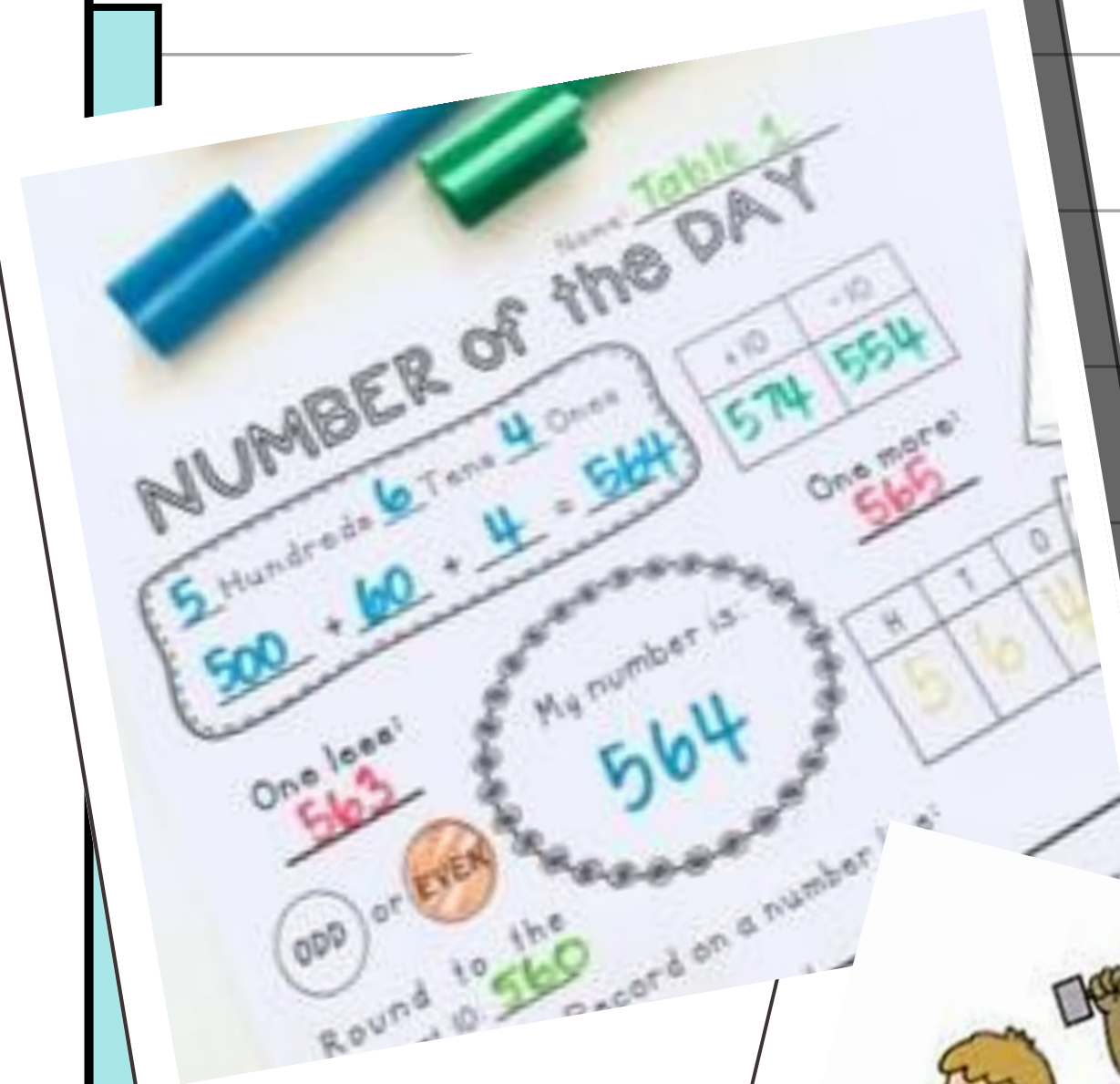
Our gym days this year are a Monday and Friday - one session with Mrs Findlay and the other with Ms. Begg.

Your child can bring a water bottle to school which they can freely drink throughout the day in class and also re-fill if need be. We will encourage them to drink in class.

Please can you ensure all children's clothing is named. The children love to take off their jumpers, cardigans and jackets and forget about them!!! If your items are named, they will more than likely make their way back to the rightful owner.

Own personal pencil cases can be used although all the resources the children need are provided on their tables.

Assembly is held on a Friday afternoon straight after lunch with Mrs Cooke or Mrs Brown.



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Our Curriculum

In Numeracy, we will be consolidating and developing our knowledge of place value, working with numbers to 1000 and addition and subtraction this term.

Ms. Begg will work on topic maths.

In Literacy, we will build on reading strategies such as prediction, visualising, summarising and note-taking to help deepen our understanding of texts.

We will reinforce and build on our knowledge of phonemes and spelling throughout the term.

We will reinforce and build on key grammar concepts.

In writing, we will consolidate and use the describing bubble, leading into different genres later on in the term.



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Throughout Primary 4 all areas of the curriculum will be covered either as discrete subjects or as part of an interdisciplinary topic.

As well as the core subjects of Literacy, Numeracy and Health and Wellbeing, the curriculum areas include Social Studies, Sciences, Expressive Arts, Technologies and R.M.E.

This term we will start with 'The Vikings'.

Our Science topic will start with 'Materials'

Primary 4 will showcase their learning of the Vikings with a little workshop. Parents will be welcome to attend. More information will follow.



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Home Learning

Every month, we will send home a grid of suggested activities through Parents' Portal that you can cover to reinforce learning at home. Hard copies can be obtained through the office.

We understand that home life and afterschool clubs can keep children very busy and appreciate the value of these experiences. If you are able to, we would ask that you prioritise reading, phonics (in the infant stages), literacy and numeracy home learning and complete as little or as much as your family life allows.

Home learning is not compulsory and there will be no consequence if this is not completed (but please read, read, read!! 😊).



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Get in Touch!

We firmly believe that we get the best out of our children and help them reach their full potential if we work together as a team with our families.

Please do not hesitate to contact me as first point of contact, through school e-mail marked for my attention:

gw14maxwelltonoffice@glow.sch.uk

or by phone:

01355 222521

You can also send us a letter or make an appointment to discuss any queries you may have.

We will endeavour to get back to you on the same day, but if not, no more than two days later.

Thank you in advance for your support and cooperation.



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