

OUR SCHOOL MISSION

Happiness - Learning - Success

Happy staff are passionate about the job they do. Happy children learn more and do better at every level. Happy parents know that school does it's best for their families.

A happy school environment is a joy for all!

We are committed to supporting pupils' fundamental skills in Numeracy, Literacy and Using ICT whilst providing excellent learning experiences in all the other curricular areas to ensure pupils make progress in their learning.

In order to meet the needs of our pupils we are committed to getting to know them. No matter the interests or ability of the child, we work together to ensure they experience success and achieve excellence at their own level.

"Every child deserves to learn in a warm and happy environment. This is the environment we strive to create each day."



OUR SCHOOL MOTTO

We always aim to ...

"be kind and work hard."



ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

Hazelbank Primary School is a friendly, rural school, nestled at the foot of Slemish in the heart of the Braid, just outside Broughshane village.

We seek to nurture, challenge and educate the individual in a safe, stimulating and disciplined environment where good relationships are fostered and respect for one another is valued.

We hope you enjoy visiting us and catching a glimpse of the happy school environment, strong relationships and wonderful learning experiences we are proud of.

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HAZELBANK PRIMARY SCHOOL

welcome



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"We are extremely proud of our children, our staff and our school."

ADMISSIONS

Whilst we have a history of being "over-subscribed", Hazelbank Primary School will increase its admissions number from 17 to 26, with an annual phased increase in the enrolment number from 120 to 182, with effect from 1 September 2024.

OUR TEAM

We have a talented team of teachers who are supported by wonderful learning assistants, who together, provide excellent learning opportunities to every child at Hazelbank PS.

We have a fabulous kitchen ran by Mrs Craig and Mrs Simpson, which delivers break time snacks and lunch meals.

Our school site is maintained by Mr Backus who works hard to keep it clean and tidy.

Mrs Currie is based in our school office and is always willing to help pupils, staff and parents.

"We build strong relationships that are child-focused and underpinned by trust, mutual respect and a strong Christian ethos."

OUTSTANDING PASTORAL CARE

There are over 150 pupils in our school and it is important to us that every single one of them feels like they belong at Hazelbank.

We have a child-centred approach and aim to create a safe, secure and happy environment where the welfare and happiness of every child is paramount.

Our Safeguarding Team work closely with parents, pupils and relevant outside agencies, where necessary, to ensure the wellbeing and safety of the children in our care.



ETI FEEDBACK

Achievements and Standards	Outstanding
Provision for Learning	Outstanding
Leadership and Management	Outstanding

"The children are enthusiastic, highly motivated and curious learners. Their behaviour is exemplary; they present their work to a high standard and handle resources respectfully."

"The needs of the children are central to the work of the school and, as a result, they are nurtured in a caring, supportive and stimulating environment."

"The children's achievements are valued and celebrated, their views are respected and they are supported and challenged to do their best."

SCHOOL DAY

- Waiting Club: 08:45- 09:00
- School Starts: 09:10
- Break time: 10:30
- Lunchtime: P1-P3 : 12:10 P4-P7: 12:30
- Hometime: P1-P3 : 14:00 P4-P7: 15:00
- Extra-curricular clubs: 2pm-3pm Mon, Wed, Thurs



The school bus, for those who qualify, operates in the mornings and then at 2pm and 3pm accordingly.

"We are a growing rural school with a real family feel and a strong connection with the community we serve."

CURRICULUM

We follow a broad and balanced curriculum in line with the expectations and learning areas of the Northern Ireland Curriculum.

Using ICT is integrated across all areas of the curriculum. Each classroom has an interactive whiteboard and we have a number of iPads which are used to enhance teaching and learning and provide the children with valuable crosscurricular learning and to develop a wide range of ICT skills.

LEARNING THROUGH PLAY

Play Based Learning forms much of the "work" in P1 and the children are given a variety of learning experiences both during play and in planned activities across the curriculum. Readiness for reading, for writing and for number work lie at the heart of these experiences and our children engage in activities that will develop positive attitudes and early success.

OUTDOOR LEARNING

We are blessed with extensive school grounds and stunning surroundings. Outdoor Learning forms a large part of the Foundation Stage and KS1 curriculum. Outdoor Learning allows children to investigate, explore, be creative and engage with the natural environment.

