

Steelstown Primary School

Parents' Newsletter

Dear Parents,

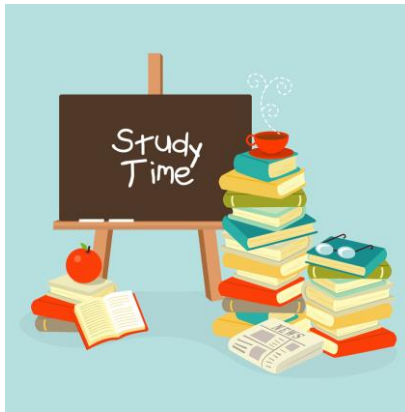
On behalf of the Primary Six teachers, Mr Morris and Mrs McGlinchey, we welcome your child to Primary Six. We hope that they have a great year and we look forward to working with you all.

Homework

The purpose of homework is to consolidate and develop the children's ability to work independently. Children should typically spend no more than 30 minutes on written homework. Teachers try hard to match the homework to ability and feedback from parents is helpful to achieve this. Each child will be issued with a Homework Diary and Reading Record. Pupils will record their homework daily and parents should ensure that homework and reading are completed and signed.

Reading

Reading is a core skill and should be encouraged at every opportunity. Pupils will be provided with a class reading book/novel which will be read as part of their homework. They will also be given the opportunity to use the class and school library. The Reading Club is open every morning and pupils are encouraged to avail of this facility.



Equipment

While the school provides essential equipment, it is advisable that each child has their own personal tool box of pencils, erasers, glue, ruler, scissors and a personal dictionary.

September/ October in Year 6

It is an important expectation that:

- Full uniform is worn at all times
- P.E. kit is brought in when required
- Pupils are punctual in the morning
- No jewellery is worn
- Mobile phones are left at home
- Chewing gum is not permitted

P.E.Uniform

The P.E. Kit in KS2 is ...

- joggers but navy leggings can be worn.
- Yellow polo shirt
- Trainers

Cycling shorts and crop tops are not permitted. If a child doesn't have plain bottoms or shorts they may bring in a pair of shorts and change in school.

Numeracy Focus

All pupils are expected to know their tables. They are an essential tool for many other areas in P.6. Maths. We will spend the term ensuring pupils are fluent in tables recall. Please take time to help them by asking them questions. Also, visiting the Topmarks and Corbett Maths websites and logging into Mathletics really helps with recall and use in problem solving.