



Good Shepherd Primary & Nursery Unit, Derry. School Development Plan 2022-23 Year 2

With the ideas of the whole school community, governors, teachers, learning support assistants and pupils, our school has prioritised the areas below as key ideas that we want to make better this academic year.

	What we want to make better...	What will happen to make this better...
	To reduce the gender divide in attainment between boys and girls. To promote a love of reading and to motivate and encourage this group of learners. We also aim to target those in receipt of FSM. (P4-P7)	Small group learning with Mr Doherty our SENCO. Targeted areas of the curriculum include literacy. Also a focus on building self-esteem and encouraging life long learning.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improving health through physical activity • Promoting independence • Improving safety awareness • Benefiting the environment • Reducing the number of cars around the school gates, making our school safer for everyone. 	We are delighted to share that the school has been accepted onto the Active School Travel Programme with Sustrans. We kick off this programme with cycling proficiency with a selection of our Primary 6 children. We will be welcoming Steven Ward from Sustrans for informative assemblies and look forward to working in partnership together.
	The development of our Relationships and Sexuality Curriculum within our school. We aim to ensure that the curriculum is sufficiently broad, balanced and flexible, tailored to meet the needs of individual children and inspires our children to learn, progress and achieve.	We will hold consultations with parents, pupils and staff on the use of the 'flourish' programme. We will review and update our RSE policy. We will then aim to develop an RSE scheme which meets the needs of our learners.
	Our ability to read. It is the gateway to all curriculum areas. Develop a love of reading and exposure to a variety of texts. Develop our understanding of words as well as comprehension skills.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuation of Accelerated Reading in Primary 4-7. • Paired reading programme in Primary 3. • Introduction of accelerated reading in term 3 for P3. • Development in the use of Just2easy and Newsdesk to support literacy skills.
	Development of financial capabilities within our Numeracy Curriculum to highlight the importance and awareness of money management and the use of money in our everyday lives.	Planned financial capabilities week within the school to include guest speakers such as the credit union and KS2 running a book shop. Maths lessons will focus on identifying various forms of money and the importance of saving, budgeting and money management.
	Improving self-esteem and wellbeing of our pupils. The way that our ideas are listened to and how our ideas make changes happen in our school.	Continuation of Happy Healthy minds provision- school councillor Joanne Smyth. Neuronimo programme to continue in 2022-23. Liaising with the EA youth service and the Verbal Arts Centre. Development of student council, eco council and digital leaders within the school.



Development of our outdoor learning provision.

Staff will engage in continuous professional development in the area of outdoor learning and the concept of 'forest schools.' Foundation stage staff will liaise with our Nursery team to develop outdoor learning provision. We will utilise funding from 'live here, love here' to develop our outdoor learning area.