

MISSION STATEMENT

As a Catholic School we strive to create and develop a community of Faith based on the values and teachings of the Gospel. We work to promote an Inclusive and welcoming ethos in which there is mutual respect, love, and understanding of the beliefs of others.

We want children at St John's to be nurtured, happy, safe and secure. We want them to be able to work and play together in a harmonious way.

We encourage good behaviour where children and adults work together and care for the environment in which they live. We endeavour to work in partnership with parents and carers, our parishes and the wider community, encouraging our children to grow spiritually, academically, personally and socially.

We also want to foster in our learners the skills and dispositions which will enable them to develop the four capacities of Curriculum for Excellence as successful learners, responsible citizens, effective contributors and confident individuals.

We as a staff, are committed to the principle of lifelong learning and aim to foster this in all our learners. We aim to promote the highest standards of teaching and learning, through a broad and balanced curriculum, setting high expectations for all whilst ensuring each individual learner is encouraged to reach his or her full potential.

We strive for excellence in all we do.



We trust you find this leaflet helpful and informative.

If you would like more detailed information the full school improvement plan and standards and quality report document will be available to parents/carers on our website:

www.stjohnsportobello.wordpress.com

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St John's RC Primary School

*Standards, Quality and
Improvement Plan*

Summary for

Parents/Carers

◆ EDINBURGH ◆
THE CITY OF EDINBURGH COUNCIL

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Standards & Quality Summary:

Last year in our plan we achieved some key improvements:

- ✦ Implementation of French in all classes P1-7
- ✦ P6 Children's Parliament Investigates Project
- ✦ Continued analysis of assessment information
- ✦ Introduction of the Rights Respecting Schools Programme
- ✦ Further opportunities for outdoor learning in Nursery and Primary 1
- ✦ Play in Pod opportunities for all
- ✦ Undertook a review of Reporting with a parental focus group and produced a new end of year report, with increased pupil voice
- ✦ P5 STEM Project, P7 work with Japanese Consulate
- ✦ Awarded 2nd Green Flag (ECO Schools Scotland)



French

As part of 1+2 Modern Languages French was implemented in all classes, staff undertook training both at Holyrood and at St John's. Resources were purchased to support the teaching of French and pupils have been learning songs, phrases, colours and numbers.

Bien fait tout le monde

RE Priorities

2018 marks 100 years of Catholic Education Act.

Engage with the many activities/resources in relation to this momentous landmark. Whole school focus on Jesus the Teacher. P1-3 engagement with new RE planners.

Developments within ICT

There was further investment in i-Pad technologies and P7 now have 1:1 in terms of devices.

Opportunities for Pupils:

Pupils continued to lead achievement assemblies; there was involvement in consultation for the new reporting format; pupils attended a variety of sporting and academic events. There was success in city wide competitions and accreditations.

The P6 Children's Parliament Investigates Project was very well received and recognised at the City Chambers. This will continue into Session 17/18.

This year we also introduced the inaugural 'Endeavour Award' to be presented to an outstanding pupil in their final, P7 year.

PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS:

P6/7 INTERSCHOLASTICS TEAM

Improvement Plan Summary 2017/18

Our key areas for this session will be:

- To implement Scottish Government benchmarks for Curriculum for Excellence
- To support pupils in P1-3 with SEAL maths approaches
- Continue to challenge able mathematicians
- Review and audit of programmes of work in Science, Expressive Arts and PE
- Work with Parents as Partners to review Home Learning
- Provide opportunities for World of Work experiences
- Support for pupils who are challenged by Reading (P6/7)
- Implementation of Building Resilience materials
- Increased analysis of assessment information
- Celebration of 130 years of St John's RC Primary and farewell to this building

Parental Engagement

- Continue to develop parental engagement groups, focus on Home Learning

