

You are very welcome to



Maine Integrated Primary School



Building Bridges, Learning Together

**All Unique *All Nurtured *All Achieve*

P7

James Martin class



**P7 Parent/Carer Introductory Meeting
September 2024**

The Class and Year Group Team

- Mrs Dalrymple (Mon-Wed)
- Mrs Kelly (Thurs-Fri)

Rationale

All classes at Maine are named after famous people who have dedicated their time and energy to campaign for, work for or made a stance on human rights: those that have worked hard to achieve equality for others.

James Martin was the first man with Down's Syndrome to get a lead role in an Oscar-winning film.

"Find your voice and be proud of who you are."

"Follow your dreams"

Our Vision

We have brought together lots of elements of how we teach the children at Maine to be excellent citizens and learners.

Our new vision is as follows:

- All unique
- All nurtured
- All achieve

We believe that by explicitly teaching these skills we will support children to develop positive lifelong habits.

Communication

Weekly class newsletter will inform parents/carers of upcoming events, assembly winners and the learning that has taken place in school

We have received recent training on a new communication tool Just2Easy. You will receive a QR code to invite you to a Parent's area where you will receive regular notifications and reminders. We aim to use this new tool to keep you up to date on your child's learning and school experiences



School Website - www.maineips.com

Positive Behaviour

- If children are finding it a challenge to demonstrate positive behaviour, we have the following ways to support them:
 - • Mindfulness Area in classroom
 - • Traffic light system
 - • Go to a member of the Senior Leadership Team for reflection if the issue continues
 - • Meetings with parents to ensure we are working together to support the child
 - • Weekly 'Amazing Behaviour' Award

School Uniform

Boys' Uniform: Navy trousers, red embroidered polo shirt, navy embroidered sweatshirt and black shoes.

Girls' Uniform: Navy skirt or trousers, white socks or navy tights, red embroidered polo shirt, navy embroidered sweatshirt and black shoes.

During summer term girls are permitted to wear check blue or red summer dress.

Boys' PE Uniform: Plain navy jogging bottoms, white embroidered polo shirt, navy embroidered sweatshirt and trainers.

Girls PE Uniform: Plain navy jogging bottoms, white embroidered polo shirt, navy embroidered sweatshirt and trainers.

The uniform is available from Tesco online (see link) and from Select Kidz in Ballymena.

A navy school coat with logo is also available but this is entirely optional. A bag is required for homework and reading books and a water bottle should be brought during summer months. Pencil cases are required for older children, details of requirements are provided in advance.

The School Day at Maine

The School Day at Maine is as follows:

7.45am – 8.45am: Breakfast Club

8.45am: School Gates Open

9.00am: School Starts

10.30am – 10.45am: Outside play for P1 – P4

10.45am – 11.00am: Outside play for P5 – P7

12.15pm – 1.00pm: Lunch for P1 – P7

School Finishing Times:

2.00pm: P1 & P2

3.00pm (Mon – Thur): P3

2.00pm (Fri): P3

3.00pm: P4 – P7

2.00pm – 5.00pm: Maine Kids' Club

An Overview of a Day in P7

Gates open at 8.45am

P7: Bottom playground

School starts at 9.00am

Morning routine

- Morning roll (please note a written note is required for all absences, and for late arrivals and early collections)
- Collect numbers for school dinners
- Collect other notes etc.,

An Overview of a Day in P7

Morning

Literacy Session: Pupils will learn key skills within spellings, grammar & punctuation, comprehension, writing, talking & listening, guided reading and handwriting using a stimulating core text

Breaktime

- Healthy breaks are encouraged
- Children need to bring a coat with a hood

Using Mathematics Session – Mental Maths, Number, Shape & Space, Measures, Handling Data, Problem Solving

An Overview of a Day in P7

Lunchtime – Children need to bring a coat with a hood

Afternoon Activities – WAU, Art & Design, Music, PE, RE, PDMU, ICT, Feel Good Friday,
After-School Clubs

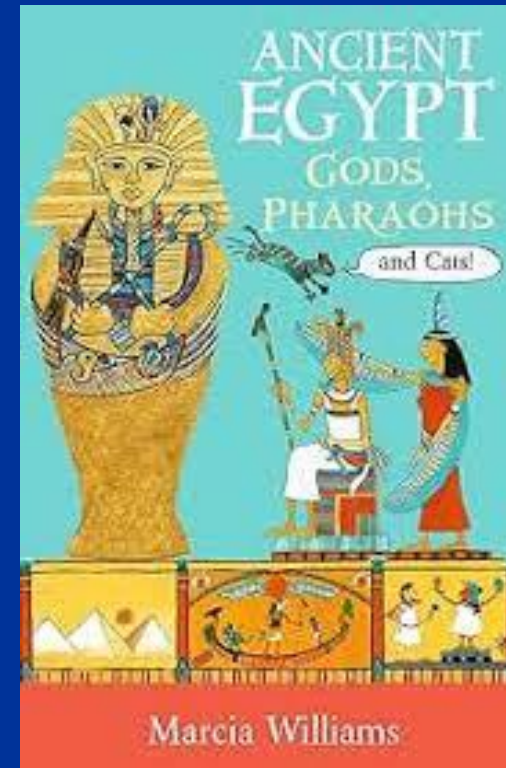
Hometime - collection at the school gate

- Children should not be back in school grounds after this time once collected due to health and safety

Core Texts Overview

In each year group, children's literature has been curated that exposes children to different authors, styles of writing and the world around them and beyond. Where possible, the text links with the work happening in other curricular areas e.g. WAU as this helps develop a depth and breadth of understanding. The children in each class are immersed in these texts over a number of lessons and weeks.

Primary 2	
Primary 3	
Primary 4	
Primary 5	
Primary 6	
Primary 7	



P7 World Around Us Topics

Term 1: Raiders and Traders

Term 2: Marvellous Machines

Term 3: Are you Wise?

Homework

- Completed Monday to Thursday
- Will consist of Spellings & meanings, Maths Facts, Language and Literacy and Mathematics and Numeracy
- Homework Overview sheet each week will outline what is to be completed each night
- Please ensure all written homework is completed and neatly presented with a date and learning intention
- If a child is unable to complete their homework for any reason, a note should be given to the class teacher to explain this
- Friday Test Book – parents sign at weekend, corrections and return on Monday

PE at Maine

- PE is statutory
- PE kits can be worn to school on the day of PE
- P7's PE day is Monday and Thursday/ Wednesday in the 2nd term the class will have swimming
- Visitors sometimes assist with PE programme – children expected to demonstrate sensible behaviour

To Support Your Child...

- Read with your child or encourage daily reading
- Ensure they do all their homeworks every week
- Attend school meetings and workshops
- Visit your child's class web page and read our school's weekly newsletter
- Check every day for school emails; make sure to enable notifications in settings so that you see when there is a new message

To Support Your Child...

- check your child's school bag every day and make sure they bring it to school each day with their reading books inside
- medical issues – please keep us informed and ensure that no medication expires • please send a filled reusable water bottle with your child each day.
- punctuality and attendance – VERY IMPORTANT! Children who are late and do not attend regularly miss learning and this impacts on their progress and achievement.
- Support any school behaviour consequences to ensure consistent messages and good behaviour.