

INTEGRATED PRIMARY SCHOOL





WELCOME NOTE





Dear Parent/ Guardian, I would like to welcome your family to our school

whether you are an established parent or bringing your child to school for the first time. The school was founded in 1976 to meet the demands of the growing population of Antrim town. At Six Mile we are an integrated, inclusive primary school and we welcome girls and boys of all backgrounds. We have high aspirations for all our pupils and are proud of all our pupils' achievements from the academic to the sporting and the musical. The school embraces the Northern Ireland Curriculum offering a wide range of experiences to all pupils and many extra curricular activities ensuring the whole child is developed.

This short prospectus provides only a glimpse of school life at Six Mile Integrated and I would encourage you to visit our school, the website and Facebook.

Mrs Claire Jennings





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SCHOOL AIMS

- ☆ To encourage self-confidence, self-discipline, self-esteem, self-respect, independence and respect for others.
- ☆ To promote positive attitudes and behaviour.
- ☆ To provide opportunities within the curriculum so that each child can achieve success and maximise his/her potential.
- To create a happy working environment with cooperation and communication within staff and between staff and pupils.
- ☆ To foster close home/school and community links.





SCHOOL UNIFORM

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We believe that wearing school uniform helps pupils to take a pride in themselves and in their school.

For new pupils it gives a sense of belonging.

GIRLS

- 🎾 Grey school polo shirt
- ✗ Grey skirt/ pinafore
- ✗ Black school shoes
- ✗ Red school coat (optional)









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For these reasons we ask for the full support of parents in sending their children to school in the correct school uniform. Uniforms are purchased from Wallace's, Antrim

BOYS

- ✗ Red school sweatshirt
- 🎾 Grey school polo shirt
- 🌽 Grey trousers
- 🎾 Grey socks
- ✗ Black school shoes
- J Grey School Shorts in summer (optional)
- >>> Red school coat (optional)

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SCHOOL CURRICULUM

All pupils are taught in line with the Northern Ireland Curriculum. There are three Key Stages within the Primary School-

- m ear 1 & 2 are Foundation Stage
- ☆ Year 3 & 4 are Key Stage 1
- $m \dot{\simeq}~$ Year 5-7 are Key Stage 2

THE WORLD AROUND US



Focusing on the development of skills and knowledge in geography, history and science and technology.

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT & MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING



Focusing on emotional development, social skills, learning to learn, health, relationships and sexuality education, understanding in the local and global community.





Including talking and listening, reading and writing and opportunities to incorporate drama.

MATHEMATICS AND NUMERACY



Focusing on the development of mathematical concepts and numeracy across the curriculum.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION



Focusing on the development of knowledge, skills and understanding through play and a range of physical activities.

THE ARTS



Including art and design, music and opportunities to incorporate drama.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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Six Mile Integrated accepts and shares the responsibility of nurturing in our children the values, attitudes, beliefs and practices of our Christian faith with home and the parish.

We work as a team to provide a stimulating and inclusive environment, in which each child can feel safe, secure and cared for. A "child centred" approach is adopted in all issues.

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We have a strong commitment to the development of our Christian faith; this includes charity work and fundraising, community work and our commitment to the environment.

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HOMEWORK

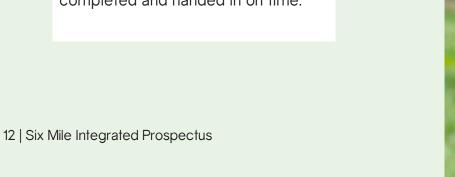
Homework promotes self management skills and reinforces skills taught in class. Homework varies throughout the Key Stages and may consist of written activities, some reading, some practical work or a research task, depending on the age of the child.



Homework is seen as being an important part of our home-school link and is a means of parents sharing in their child's learning experiences.



We request that all parents support their child by talking to their child about work completed in school and ensuring that homeworks are completed and handed in on time.











SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS



At Six Mile Integrated we are committed to providing an appropriate and high quality education for all children.

We believe that all children, including those identified as having special educational needs, have a common entitlement to a broad and balanced curriculum, and to be included in all aspects of school life.

We use teacher judgement and standardised scores to identify difficulties. Through early intervention approaches, the school works closely with the child and parent in actively supporting the child's needs.

Pupils with Special Educational Needs receive in class support from their teacher and, where appropriate, small withdrawal sessions.

The school works closely with all external agencies in the support of all pupils with SEN and will always work alongside parents to keep them informed of their child's support and progress.

The school also has two learning support centres for pupils with moderate learning difficulties.

Gifted/ Talented

At Six Mile Integrated we recognise that some pupils will be gifted or talented. Any child identified with an exceptional ability will be nurtured and supported appropriately.







AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVTIES

At Six Mile Integrated we provide a wide range of after school activities for all our pupils. These vary from year to year but can include:

EDUCATIONAL VISITS

Educational visits have an important part to play in a child's education. They provide practical, first hand experience of a variety of subject areas, while widening pupils' experiences, promoting relationships, stimulating new interests and setting challenges in new situations. Different locations and trips are chosen each year to provide a wide range of practical experiences for all children at Six Mile Integrated.



SAFEGUARDING & CHILD PROTECTION

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Six Mile Integrated is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share in this commitment. Staff work hard to maintain an environment where children feel safe and secure.

The curriculum is designed to ensure opportunities for children to develop the skills they need to recognise and stay safe from abuse. Children know that they can approach any of the adults in school if they are worried and that they will receive a consistent supportive response. In recognising our responsibilities for safeguarding and child protection as a school we:-

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Have clear staff recruitment and selection procedures, ensuring that all staff (including volunteers) who have unsupervised access to children, have been appropriately checked for their suitability.

Aim to raise awareness of child protection issues and equip children with the skills needed to keep them safe.

- Develop and implement procedures for identifying and reporting cases, or suspected cases of abuse.
- Support children who have been abused in accordance with his/her Personal Learning Plan.
- Establish a safe and nurturing environment free from discrimination or bullying where children can learn and develop happily.

THE SAFEGUARDING TEAM AT SIX MILE INTEGRATED PRIMARY SCHOOL Designated teacher for child protection: MRS mitchell deputy designated teacher for child protection: MRS campbell PRINCIPAL: MRS JENNINGS CHAIR OF GOVERNORS: MR MOLONEY DESIGNATED GOVERNOR FOR CHILD PROTECTION: MS ROBINSON

DRUGS POLICY

Drugs Education is a statutory requirement for all schools and recent research has shown that such education is beneficial in preventing some children from experimenting with drugs and delaying the onset with others.





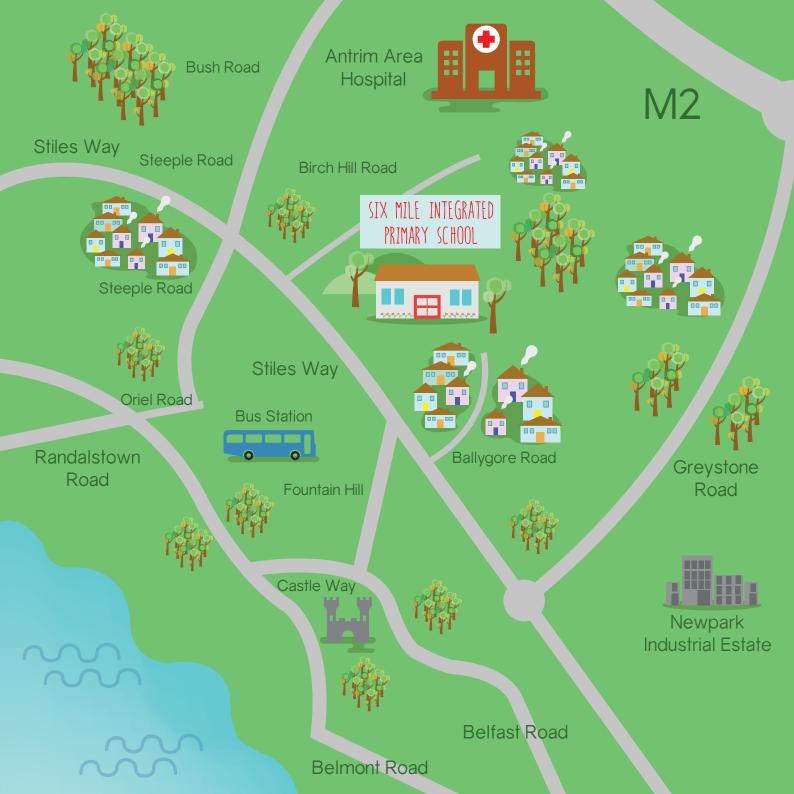
THE SCHOOL DAY

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5.45AM	STAFF ON DUTY AT MAIN
5.55AM	ENTRANCE FROM THIS TIME SCHOOL DAY BEGINS
),25AM	BREAK TIME
2.10PM	LUNCH TIME
2.00PM	HOME TIME FOR RECEPTION, P1-P2
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i.00PM	TUES, WED, THURS FOR P3
2.00PM	MON, FRI FOR PJ
	ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE P1 DAY WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE P1 INDUCTION DAY IN JUNE.



All policies are available from the School Office



OUR VISION HAPPY, CARING, CELEBRATING, ACHIEVING TOGETHER

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