



Strathesk  
Primary School

## Weekly Mail Drop

20.11.23

(Our weekly mail drop will now be sent out each Monday rather than Friday)

This week's mail drop includes:

- Please check children's bags for a leaflet about the Parent Partnership hampers

Our Parent Partnership are running a Christmas raffle again this year. The theme will be 'Rainbow Hampers'. Each year group will help to collect and make up coloured hampers to raffle in December. To help with this we would appreciate any donations of gifts in the following colours:

Nursery	Red and Silver
P1/2	Green and Yellow
P3/4	Blue and Green
P5/6	Pink and Purple
P7	Treasure Gold

Although each group has been assigned specific colours we would appreciate any donations you can kindly offer. We ask that all donations are handed into the school office before Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December.

Home Learning opportunities (homework) will be shared on our website and updated regularly throughout the term. Suggested activities focus on the levels/stages of school rather than specific classes or single year groups. Early Level activities may be of interest to Nursery and P1 children, First Level activities may be of interest to P2 - P4 children and Second Level activities may be of interest to P5 - P7 children. Children can choose to dip in and out of different levels and activities. Please visit <http://strathesk.mgfl.net/> There is no expectation for children to complete any of these activities and they do not need to share them with their teacher. In addition to these suggested activities children will bring home reading books each week. These are different from the books used in class to teach reading skills. Home reading books are chosen to support fluency and expression and enjoyment and choice. All children have access to Sumdog which they can also use to reinforce learning in Numeracy and Maths should they wish to do so.

Thank you for continuing to encourage your children to cycle or scoot to school. The children have been great at dismounting at the school gates for the safety of others in the playground. ***Can you please remind them to wear helmets for their own safety when cycling or scooting?***

It has been lovely to see so many children wearing full school uniform this term. Thank you for supporting us with this. If you do not have the purple jumper/cardigan, please let the school office, class teacher or Ali Turbitt, our Home School Practitioner, know as we have a number of these in school.

All children will now change before and after PE. We do not have a specific PE kit. Shorts/joggers, t-shirt and trainers are perfect! We simply ask that children do not wear football colours and that kit is suitable for all forms of PE. Shorts shouldn't be too short. Can you please send a PE kit into school with your child? This will stay in school and be sent home to be washed at the end of each term. Please check that all clothing is labelled with your child's name and class. Thank you for your support with this.



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We have a number of children with food intolerances and allergies in school. As a result we are a NUT FREE ZONE so please check that snacks or lunch items are totally nut free. This includes many chocolate spreads such as Nutella. Should children have items containing nuts with them accidentally, we will remove these to the office for collection and contact you to arrange for an alternative. The risk of cross contamination for some of our children is highly significant so we appreciate your support with this.

Please have a lovely week, everyone. Take care and look after yourself and your family.

*Pauline Maer*