Family Friendly Version School Development Plan 2025-2028

GORTIN PRIMARY SCHOOL

With the ideas of the whole school community, governors, teachers, non-teaching staff, parents 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
	- Share the updated school ethos and vision statement. - Introduce all parents and pupils to our newly created core values	- Ethos, values, mission will be updated on school website as well as relevant policies and prospectus as well as whole school assembly. - Values on display in all classroom doors as well as a mat at front and back door and signage outside the school. - Pupil of the week recognition of values in assembly. - Wall display of examples of the values at work within our school.
	- Develop effective approaches to teaching comprehension - Coordinators monitor and evaluate Literacy throughout the school. - Update scheme of work for grammar and punctuation.	- Teach specific comprehension strategy per term. - Teachers develop a range or resource specific to children's interest both fiction and non-fiction.
	- Develop effective approaches to teach problem solving in mathematics - Update scheme of work for mathematics. - Coordinators monitor and evaluate Numeracy throughout the school.	- Additional teacher training. - Teacher plan and teach using the RUCSAC method - Teachers use outdoor learning to support problem solving. - Teachers create and use resources that are linked to real life contexts.
	- Continue to follow the updated scheme of work for ICT to ensure children a developing a broad range of skills.	- All children participate in ICT activities on a weekly basis. - Activities will be linked to the class topics and build skills across all areas of the curriculum.
	- Enhance the range of after school activities for all children.	- Apply for Crowdfunder SportNI funding to fund a range of after school sports activities.