

Sidlaw View Primary School



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Section 1: Welcome and Vision

Dear Parents,

Thank you for choosing Sidlaw View Primary School for your child. We are delighted that you will be joining our school family, and look forward to working with you over the coming years. We very much value the partnership we have with our parents and carers, and hope that you will come to view this as your school. It is by working together that we will achieve the best educational outcomes for our young people.

This handbook has been specially designed to provide parents and carers with information about the day-to-day running of the school. We hope you will find it useful.

Please note that the information in this handbook was correct at the time of printing. Any changes or amendments will be notified to you promptly by newsletter.

We look forward to working with you.

Yours sincerely

Kim Flynn
Head Teacher

Section 2: School Ethos

In Sidlaw View Primary school we will provide a safe and secure environment, with a positive and welcoming ethos where all of our learners are challenged and inspired to achieve their full potential and be the best they can be. We will do this by providing them with a creative, cohesive and progressive curriculum and by building partnerships with home, the community and other services. Through these partnerships, we hope to instill a sense of worth in our young people which they will carry through to adulthood, having provided them with the social skills necessary to function as responsible citizens in our society. Every child in our school is part of our extended family and benefits from a staff which is dedicated to the whole community.

We aim to do this by:

- Inspiring all our learners to achieve their highest potential through the delivery of a dynamic and challenging curriculum.
- Nurturing children to become Responsible Citizens, Successful Learners, Effective Contributors and Confident Individuals.
- Raising aspiration by promoting confidence, esteem and life-long ambition for all our pupils.
- Providing a safe and secure environment for all in our school community where everyone feels valued and respected.

Section 3: School Information

School Address:	67A Harestane Road, Dundee DD3 0LF
Telephone:	01382 436458 / 9
Email Address:	sidlawview.primary@dundeecity.gov.uk
Website:	
Head Teacher:	Mrs K J Flynn
Depute Head Teacher (Acting): ..	Mrs Gemma Cathcart
Principal Teacher:	Miss S Cruickshank
School Status:	Non-denominational
School Roll:	206
School Hours:	9.00am - 3.15pm
Parent Council Contact Info:	01382 436458 / 9
Parish Priest or Minister:	Reverend Nathan McConnell
Parish Address:	Downfield Mains

Section 3: School Information

Office Hours

The school office is open from 8.45am - 3.15pm.

Please help us by making routine telephone calls within office hours. The school office is manned by our pupil leaders from 12.15pm - 1.15pm. They are very happy to help.

Class Organisation

The organisation of classes may vary from year to year dependent upon certain factors such as the school roll and the number of teachers allocated to the school that session.

At any stage of the school, pupils may be in a straight class which comprises of pupils from the same stage e.g. all Primary 2 pupils or they may be part of a composite class which comprises of pupils from more than one stage, for instance a class with some Primary 2 and some Primary 3 pupils.

You should be confident that the professionalism of the staff in the school will ensure that your child will always work within a programme appropriate for his/her age, ability and aptitude.

Section 4: School Policies & Practical Information

School Terms and Holidays

AUTUMN TERM

Monday 18 August 2025 - Staff resume
Tuesday 19 August 2025 - Pupils resume
Friday 3 October 2025 - Term ends

AUTUMN HOLIDAY

Monday 6 October 2025 - Holiday starts
Friday 17 October 2025 - Holiday ends

WINTER TERM

Monday 20 October 2025 - Term starts
Thursday 13 November 2025 - In service day, schools closed
Friday 14 November 2025 - In service day
Tuesday 23 December 2025 - Term ends

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

Wednesday 24 December 2025 - Holiday starts
Tuesday 6 January 2026 - Holiday ends

SPRING TERM

Wednesday 7 January 2026 - All resume
Friday 13 - Monday 16 February 2026 - Mid term, all break
Tuesday 17 February 2026 - In service day, schools closed
Thursday 2 April 2026 - Term ends

SPRING HOLIDAY

Friday 3 April 2026 (Good Friday) - Holiday starts
Friday 17 April 2026 - Holiday ends

SUMMER TERM

Monday 20 April 2026 - All resume
Monday 4 May 2026 - May Day, schools closed
Friday 22 May 2026 - In Service Day, schools closed
Monday 25 May 2026 - Victoria Day, schools closed
Friday 3 July 2026 - Term ends

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School Uniform

There is an expectation for all pupils to wear the correct school uniform. This helps us in our aim of encouraging children to take a pride in their appearance and to have respect for their school.

BOYS	GIRLS
Royal Blue Sweatshirt Grey trousers White shirt or polo shirt Royal blue, red and gold school tie. Plain black shoes or trainers	Royal Blue Sweatshirt Grey trousers or skirt White shirt or polo shirt Royal blue, red and gold school tie. Plain black shoes or trainers
Please note that football strips are not to be worn. All items of clothing should be labelled. This assists greatly in recovering lost property.	

School Clothing Grants

School Clothing Grants If you are in receipt of Income Support, Job Seekers Allowance - Income Based, Income Related Employment and Support Allowance, Universal Credit (where take home pay is less than £610 per month), Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999, Housing Benefit, Council Tax Reduction or Child Tax Credit with an income of less than £16,105 (as assessed by HMRC), you may be entitled to receive a grant towards the cost of buying essential clothing to enable children up to the age of 16 to attend school.

Grants are paid directly into the applicant's bank account.

The current value of a Clothing Grant is £100 per child.

Applications forms can be submitted online:

www.dundee.gov.uk/eduforms

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School Meals

School lunches cost £2.15 per day and all children are provided with a lunch menu by Tayside Contracts.

All children staying for lunches within school will eat in the dining hall. Safety flasks containing hot food may be brought to school, but not the glass vacuum type, which may be dangerous, as they are liable to break. Glass bottles should not be brought to school.

Please inform us in writing if your child has any special dietary needs so that arrangements can be put in place to accommodate their needs.

The dining room is supervised by support staff at all times. Please note that the school does not approve of pupils going out of school to buy their lunch due to safety reasons.

Free School Meals

Free School Meals Free school meals are available to all pupils whose parents receive Income Support, Job Seekers Allowance - Income Based, Income Related Employment and Support Allowance, Universal Credit (where take home pay is less than £610 per month), Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999, Child Tax Credit ONLY with an income of less than £16,105, or BOTH Child Tax Credit and Working Tax Credit with an income less than £7,330 (as assessed by HMRC).

Applications forms can be submitted online:

www.dundee.gov.uk/eduforms

Instrumental Tuition

Tuition fees are currently free and instrument hire is £85.00 per year.

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Payments to Schools

The school currently accepts payments online, using a secure website called ParentPay, for items such as school meals, trips and uniforms. The ParentPay system is easy to use and offers parents the freedom to make payments by debit or credit card, whenever they like, ensuring that monies reach schools safely and securely.

The system helps to remove the costs associated with having to manage cash securely on school premises and it frees up time to better support the smooth running of the school. We will of course continue to accept cash and cheque payments as necessary but we do hope that parents will use the new online facility. The more parents use the service, the greater the benefit to the school, the parents and the pupils alike.

If you already have a ParentPay account you don't have to do anything. If you haven't yet activated your ParentPay Account, please contact the school office who will reprint your activation letter to enable you to set up your ParentPay account ready for the start of the new term.

Emergency School Closure Procedures

In exceptional circumstances the school may be unable to function normally. The school may be affected by severe weather or power failures. We shall do all we can to let you know about the details of closure and re-opening through the local radio, press, text messages and letters home. You can be assured that we will never send a child home without first checking that there is an adult at home.

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Enrolment & Placing Requests

Prospective parents who wish to come to see the school are invited to telephone the school office to make an appointment to visit.

If you wish to apply for a school place, whether you are moving into Dundee or moving between two Dundee schools, you need to complete a placing request form. To do this, you should apply online, on the Dundee City Council website - go to **Schools & Learning** then **Enrolments and Placing Requests** and select **In Year Change of School**. If you are moving into the area, applications can be made 4 weeks prior to your arrival. Applications are dealt with in date order and the process may take up to 60 working days.

Parents of prospective Primary 1 pupils who reside in the school's catchment area are asked to register their child's name online on the DCC Website - again, go to **Schools & Learning** then **Enrolments and Placing Requests** then select **P1 Enrolments into Catchment School** between December and the February of the year the child starts school.

Parents of children living outwith the school's catchment area, who wish their child to attend the school, are asked to make a placing request online on the DCC Website - again, go to **Schools & Learning** then **P1 or S1 Placing Requests**. Placing Requests are dealt with in date order and the process should be concluded by the end of April.

School Absence procedures

Please contact the school as soon as possible if your child is absent. Please send a note to school with your child on their return explaining the reason for the absence.

If your child is absent and no contact is made by you, a text message will be sent from the school. If three days pass without explanation for an absence a School and Family Development Worker will arrange to visit you and your child at home.

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The following points are included in the Education Authority's Attendance Initiative:

- If your child is ill and cannot attend school please contact the school before, or as soon as possible after 9.00am on the first day of absence.
- If the absence is planned, e.g. a hospital appointment, we ask you to let us know prior to the absence.
- If your child is absent for more than three days please call again or write to tell us.
- If you have not contacted the school to say your child is absent and have received a text message please contact us as soon as possible.

Regular attendance at school ensures your child is receiving the continuous education they are entitled to. Dundee City Council asks that, where possible, parents do not take children out of school for family holidays during term time. In accordance with Scottish Executive guidelines for pupil attendance, most holidays are recorded as unauthorised unless there is proof from an employer that this is the only time when holidays could be taken.

A guide for parents about school attendance explains parental responsibilities with regard to children's attendance at school – <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2009/12/04134640/0>

Appointments

If your child has an appointment during the school day or needs to leave school for any other reason, please put this in writing. We would appreciate it if routine appointments could be made outwith school hours but understand that this isn't always possible.

If your child does need to leave school during the school day they must be collected by a parent/carer at the main reception. In the interest of safety we cannot allow children to leave the school unaccompanied.

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Accidents/Illness at School

In the event of a child having an accident or becoming ill at school we will attempt to contact the parents so that they can collect the child from school. However, if we cannot contact the parents, we will contact the Emergency Contact whose name and telephone number should be given to us by the parents.

Therefore it is very important that parents inform the school of the name, address and telephone number of the Emergency Contact and advise the school immediately of any changes that occur.

General Safety

1. Pupils are not allowed to leave the school grounds during interval
2. Pupils staying for school lunches or packed lunches must not leave the grounds during lunch time
3. To ensure the safety of all children, children should behave responsibly both in the playground and within the school

Promoting Positive Behaviour

In Sidlaw View Primary we expect our pupils to be polite, to have respect for other people and property and to have regard for the following values:

- Respect
- Honesty
- Inclusion
- Achievement
- Co-operation

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The school operates a Positive Behaviour Policy, which promotes positive relationships for wellbeing and learning. Good behaviour is recognised by all school staff, praised and rewarded as appropriate. Disagreements between children are addressed through Restorative and Solution Focussed approaches.

Our behaviour blueprint is shared with all parents/carers and learners every August. This clearly lays out our high expectations, boundaries and supports to encourage everyone in our school community to be the best they can be. This is also shared with new P1 parents at the parent induction meeting in June.

School Concerns and Complaints Procedures

If you want to talk to your child's teacher or a member of the senior staff it is generally better to make an appointment. This ensures that the member of staff is available, that classes are not disturbed and that pupils' lessons are not affected.

If you have a concern or complaint, please in the first instance contact the school management and we will do our very best to resolve the issue or work together to find a way ahead. If you would like to talk to your child's class teacher, it is generally better to make an appointment so we can ensure that the staff member is available. We are here to listen and work in partnership with you to ensure your child's time at school is successful.

If you have made a complaint to the school and you are not satisfied with the outcome, you can have your complaint reviewed by a senior officer in the Children and Families Service.

Education Department publications can be found at:

<http://www.dundecity.gov.uk/department-publications/Education>

Section 5: Parental Involvement

Parent Council

The parent council is a group of parents who have been selected in accordance with the Parent Council constitution to represent all the parents of children at our school. Parents of any child at Sidlaw View Primary School can seek to be part of the Parent Council in line with arrangements set out in the constitution.

The aims of the Parent Council are:-

- To work together with everyone involved in school life - parents, learners, teachers, school staff and the wider community
- To make sure that all parents have a say in their children's education - and are able to express their views and wishes
- To build links between the school, parents, pupils, nurseries and pre-school groups and the community

Our Parent Council will meet at least once each term and meetings are open to all parents.

If you would like more information about the Parent Council please contact the school.

Parental Involvement

We have a variety of opportunities, which are planned throughout the year, for parents/carers to be involved in the life and work of the school. Seesaw will help keep you informed of these activities.

Opportunity for parental involvement include:-

- Open Days
- Class Assemblies
- Parents' Night (twice a year)
- School and Family Drop Ins
- Meet the Teacher event
- Learning Events
- Curricular Events
- Family Learning Opportunities

Section 6: The Curriculum

Curriculum for Excellence 3-18

Curriculum for Excellence has been introduced to raise standards of learning and teaching for all pre-school to 18 year olds. It aims to help prepare children and young people with the knowledge and skills they need in a fast changing world. As part of Curriculum for Excellence all children from pre-school to the end of S3 will receive a rounded education known as a Broad General Education. Curriculum for Excellence is all about bringing real life into the classroom and taking lessons beyond it.

Through the experiences we provide we want our children to become Successful Learners, Confident Individuals, Responsible Citizens and Effective Contributors. We are committed to providing children with a broad general education and focus on eight curriculum areas.

Expressive Arts	Health & Wellbeing	Languages	Mathematics
Religious & Moral	Sciences	Social Studies	Technologies

Progress in learning is indicated through curriculum levels as detailed below.

Level	Stage
Early	The pre-school years and P1 or later
First	To the end of P4, but earlier or later for some
Second	To the end of P7, but earlier or later for some
Third & Fourth	S1-S3, but earlier for some

Expressive arts: The inspiration and power of the arts play a vital role in enabling our children and young people to enhance their creative talent and develop their artistic skills.

Health and wellbeing: Learning in health and wellbeing ensures that children and young people develop the knowledge, understanding and skills which they need now and in the future to help them with their physical, emotional and social wellbeing.

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Science: Science and its practical application in healthcare and industry is central to our economic future, for our health and wellbeing as individuals and as a society.

Social Studies: Through social studies, children and young people develop their understanding of the world by learning about other people and places both past and present, societies, their beliefs and values.

Religious and moral education: Religious and moral education includes learning about Christianity, Islam and other world religions, and supports the development of beliefs and values.

Languages: Knowing other languages and understanding other cultures is a 21st century skill set for students as they prepare to live and work in a global society.

Mathematics: Mathematics equips us with the skills we need to interpret and analyse information, simplify and solve problems, assess risk and make informed decisions.

Technologies: The range of subjects in technical education has changed significantly over the last two decades and now includes craft, design, engineering and graphics.

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Getting it Right for Every Child (GIRFEC)

The GIRFEC approach is about how staff in all children's services meet their needs by working together to ensure that children reach their full potential.

www.scotland.gov.uk/gettingitright

Religious Observance

Through the ethos and curriculum, we provide opportunities for pupils to explore morals and values. We help learners develop their own beliefs, values and a responsible attitude to others. Pupils are encouraged to develop an understanding of Christianity and other religions. Pupils develop skills of reflection, critical thinking and how to act when making moral decisions. The school welcomes diversity and individuality while emphasising our common commitment to moral values such as honesty, respect for others, compassion and justice. It is a fundamental principle of the school that all who are involved in the life of the school have the right to be respected as individuals and carry the responsibility to act in a considerate and respectful manner towards others.

Under the terms of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980 "any pupils may be withdrawn by his/her parents from instruction in religious subjects and from religious observance" Parents wishing to exercise this right should discuss with the Head Teacher.

Sensitive Issues

Part of our curriculum involves teaching the children about issues which could be considered sensitive i.e. sexual health and relationships education or drugs and alcohol awareness. Parents should be assured that whenever these topics arise, we will communicate as appropriate with home. On some occasions we may send a letter just to raise awareness that specific issues are to be covered, on other occasions we will actively seek permission to include your child/ children in a series of lessons. If any parent is concerned about what is being covered within the curriculum however, they should feel free to speak to a member of staff about this.

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Assessment

Assessment takes place continuously in every classroom within a process known as formative assessment. Teachers observe and talk to children and read their written work to build up a picture of where each child is in their learning. From this, the children are given information about and helped to see how they can improve and what they need to practise. Pupil performance is also measured using standardised assessments which allow measurement of value added by the school as well as giving diagnostic profiles of pupils' strengths and development needs.

Baseline Assessment is carried out in Primary 1 using the PIPS computerised assessment, and this is repeated at the end of P1. In P4 and in P6 pupils undertake INCAS assessments, another computerised assessment which gives standardised information about pupil progress which teachers use to plan next steps in learning.

Every pupil has an individual Work Folio started in Primary 1. This contains examples of work from a wide range of activities and is added to as a child moves through the school.

Reporting to parents

Throughout the year, teachers report to parents in a number of ways relating to the progress of the children. This takes the form of Parents' Evenings, Primary 7 Profiles, formal reports at the end of the school year and also opportunities for further meetings with staff throughout the year if required.

Building the Curriculum 5: a framework for assessment provides guidance around the assessment framework –

http://www.educationscotland.gov.uk/Images/BtC5Framework_tcm4-653230.pdf

Information about Curriculum for Excellence levels and how progress is assessed <http://www.educationscotland.gov.uk/thecurriculum/howisprogressassessed/stages/index.asp>

Information on recognising achievement, reporting and profiling – <http://www.educationscotland.gov.uk/learningteachingandassessment/assessment/achievement/index.asp>

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Transition to Primary 1

Whether your child is transferring from nursery to Primary 1 or from Primary 7 to secondary school or indeed transferring stage through school they will be entitled to support during this process. School staff make every effort to ensure that important information about your child, their learning and progress and any additional support they require is communicated to the teacher at the next stage of learning.

The school encourages parents to discuss these changes and the senior management team will be happy to meet with you to allay any concerns you may have over the new arrangements for your child.

Transfer to secondary school

When your child is due to leave the school at the end of Primary 7, he/she will be allocated a place at their catchment school. The move from primary to secondary school can be a daunting step for pupils and parents. To make this time in the pupils' school career more comfortable, we work closely with secondary schools to provide a range of transitional activities throughout Primary 7. These include Primary School visits from secondary school staff and also a 3 day visit to the secondary school where pupils follow a secondary school timetable. Around this time, secondary staff meet with the Primary 7 teachers to discuss the needs of the children.

Section 7: Support for Pupils

Most children make satisfactory progress in school and their education can be fully supported by their class teacher. Some children may, however, need additional support to help them access learning in the classroom. Assessment and planning for their needs will be done through a Child's Plan which identifies their strengths, barriers to learning and what action or support required to meet their additional needs. A very small number of children with significant and long-term additional support needs may meet the criteria for a Co-ordinated Support Plan. These will be children who receive a lot of support from people outside education; for example, from health and social work staff.

Support for learning takes place in every class and is the responsibility of all staff in the school. All of our pupils are encouraged to work to the highest level of their ability and extra help is available for children who may require it to help them achieve their potential. The Head Teacher, teachers and other staff work closely to ensure that children and young people's individual learning needs are met.

The work of Support for Learning staff is co-ordinated by the Head Teacher, is regularly reviewed and is based upon pupil need. Support may be given within the class or within another setting, and may be within a group although it is always based upon the needs of the individual child.

The procedures and processes by which an individual child's needs are identified and addressed are set out in Dundee City Council's Children and Families Service policy on Supporting Learners. Central to this is the assessment of need using a staged intervention model and the involvement of parents. We also maintain very valuable partnerships within education and with agencies beyond to support pupils who have additional needs of any kind.

To help assess the specific needs of any pupil who may require extra help the school is able to call upon the services an Educational Psychologist from Dundee Educational Psychology Service. Before such a step is taken, parents are always contacted and the reason for such a referral is fully explained and parental co-operation sought.

Section 7: Support for Pupils

As a parent/carer you can access a wide range of information with regard to additional support needs. The information is available both at your local school and on the [Dundee City Council website](#).

The following are available for you at the above internet page.

- Assessing Additional Support Needs
- Attending Pupil Support Planning Meetings
- Co-ordinated Support Plan
- Dispute Resolution
- Dispute Resolution Referral Form
- Mediation - Parent to Parent leaflet
- Supporting Learning (Dundee City Council Education Department, Support for Learning Policy)
- Supporting Learning in Dundee

This internet page also has many other leaflets on related topics which might be of interest to you.

If you cannot access the internet, please ask the School Office if you would like a copy of any of these documents.

The Additional Support for Learning (Scotland) Act 2004 as amended by the 2009 Act came into force on 15 November 2010. The recommendations of the Children and Young People's Act (2014), in particular the Child's Plan and the responsibility of the Named Person, also affects how we assess and plan for all children and young people.

Section 7: Support for Pupils

Information on additional support needs is also available to you from outside Dundee City Council:

Enquire - The Scottish Advice Service for Additional Support for Learning

Operated by Children in Scotland, Enquire offers independent, confidential advice and information on additional support for learning through:

a telephone helpline - 0845 123 2303

an email enquiry service - info@enquire.org.uk

an online enquiry service

two websites - www.enquire.org.uk (for parents/carers and practitioners) and www.enquire.org.uk/yp (for children and young people)

Enquire also provide a range of clear and easy-to-read guides and fact sheets explaining everything from 'additional support in the early years' to 'what planning should take place for moving on from school'.

Let's Talk ASN

Let's Talk ASN is a free service for the parents of children with additional support needs who may require support in relation to a dispute or potential dispute with an education authority. It is a joint initiative of Govan Law Centre (Charity No. SC030193) and Kindred Advocacy (Charity No. SC000264). It provides support for parents and young people from the time they have grounds to make a reference to the Additional Support Needs Tribunal for Scotland (ASNTS).

Advice and information regarding this service can be obtained by email or phone-call:

letstalkasn@edlaw.org.uk 0141 445 1955

Scottish Child Law Centre

The Scottish Child Law Centre is a charitable body registered in Scotland under registration number SCO12741." It offers advice and support for families in regard of additional support needs.

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The Scottish Government website's Additional Support for Learning page also provides links to relevant legislation and guidance, including the arrangements that should be in place to support pupils with additional support needs: <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Education/Schools/welfare/ASL>

The 'Supporting Children's Learning Code of Practice (Revised edition)' - provides Statutory guidance relating to the Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004 as amended: <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2011/04/04090720/21>

'Getting It Right For Every Child and Young Person', is essential reading for anyone involved or working with children and young people, including practitioners working in adult services with parents and carers. Find it at <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/People/Young-People/gettingitright>

'Supporting Learners - guidance on the identification, planning and provision of support' is at <http://www.educationscotland.gov.uk/supportinglearners/>

Section 8: School Improvement

Every school within the city has an improvement plan in place which helps determine priorities for development. Sidlaw View is no exception to this, and the staff are currently working on the tasks identified within the 2025-2026 improvement plan. These tasks currently sit under the headings of:

Presence - Continue to improve attendance

Participation - Review and develop music curriculum

- UNCRC – developing a culture of inclusion and diversity
- Together to Thrive project – supporting families with ASN

Progress – Raise attainment in numeracy

- tracking assessment overtime using new tracker
- Raise attainment in literacy – listening and talking
- Achieve STEM Nation Award – full award

Towards the end of session 2025-2026, we will begin to consult with parents and carers, children and partner agencies to identify our priorities for next year and will pull together a new plan based upon the outcomes of this consultation.

Copies of the full improvement plan are available in school on request, as are more accessible summary documents. Anyone wishing a copy of either of these should feel free to ask at the school office.

In addition an annual Standards and Quality report is produced which outlines the progress we have made in terms of meeting our objectives over the course of the previous school session. The Standards and Quality report also provides further information in terms of pupil progress. Again, copies of this document are available to parents and carers who are more than welcome to request one from the school office.

Section 8: School Improvement

Wider Achievements

- Children across all stages of the school continue to be involved in the ASPIRE music project. Pupils in P1 – P3 thoroughly enjoy the Kodaly singing programme, whilst the upper school have the opportunity to learn a variety of musical instruments from Strings, Brass, African drums and drums.
- Children in P7 finish the year with a residential trip based at the Douglas woods and is supported by Ancrum Outdoor Centre. They have a wonderful time climbing on walls, swinging from ropes and participating in water sports. This is a wonderful opportunity for children to grow and develop in confidence and independence.
- Partnerships with Ancrum Outdoor Centre provide children in P6 opportunities to engage in bikeability, level 1 and 2. Through support and challenge we have seen children's self-belief and confidence grow.
- Leadership Roles are promoted through our pupil leadership groups from P4 – P7. This year our leadership groups are focusing on STEM, Health and Wellbeing, Rights Respecting Schools group and Community. Previous leadership groups have supported the school to achieve Bronze UNCRC award, Digital Leaders award, Eco schools award and STEM nation awards.
- This year, we are continuing to focus on performance with more opportunities for the pupils to share their learning through assemblies and shows. The children excel in these wider achievement opportunities and love sharing their skills in performance.
- At Sidlaw View Primary School we have a focus on embedding STEM across the curriculum. We aim to foster skills in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics through interdisciplinary, real-world learning. We have achieved 4 of the STEM nation awards and have recently submitted our application for the 5th award.

Section 8: School Improvement

Attainment Data 2024 - 2025

(Data does not include our children in the Specialist provision)

	Reading	Writing	Talking & Listening	Numeracy
Primary 1 (CFE Early Level)	87%	77%	77%	80%
Primary 4 (CFE 1st Level)	82%	75%	86%	82%
Primary 7 (CFE 2nd Level)	81%	74%	84%	81%

Attendance Data 2024 - 2025

Attendance description	Authorised absence		Unauthorised absence		Attendance	
	BOYS	GIRLS	BOYS	GIRLS	BOYS	GIRLS
Dundee Sector Average	4.7%	4.8%	2.3%	2.4%	93%	93%
Sidlaw View Primary School	4.9%	6.1%	1.9%	2.2%	93%	92.6%

Section 9: Extra Curricular Activities

Dance

We have a variety of opportunities for boys and girls to participate in dancing at Sidlaw View Primary.

Sidlaw View Boys Dance Project is a street dance club for P5-7 boys which runs after school and is led by Liam from Active schools. The boys eventually join together with other primary schools in the cluster to take part in a showcase dance event at the Caird Hall.

P1-4 dance is led by Abertay students who deliver lessons to P1-4 during the school day.

P5-7 Dance Club is led by Stacy from Active Schools. She delivers street dance to P5-7 girls and boys during lunchtime.

Basketball P6-7 - The basketball club runs during lunchtime in partnership with Active Schools. This is another great opportunity to be involved a fun and engaging team sport.

Football

There are a few different opportunities for boys and girls to be involved with football.

Football P1-3 is run in partnership with Dundee West who deliver fun sessions during lunchtime.

Football P6-7 – Dundee West also provide opportunities for some of our P6-7 children during lunchtime. There is a focus on sportsmanship and team building.

Football P4-5 girls – this club in support by Abertay students and takes place during lunchtime.

School Football Team – This team is supported by Active Schools as well as a parent helper. This is a great opportunity for some of our older pupils to take part in football matches against other schools across the city.

Section 9: Extra Curricular Activities

Active Movers - this is a group for P1-3 pupils. Active Schools run this group over lunchtime and there is opportunities for the children to try out a variety of different sports and games.

Cross Country P6-7- Miss Callaghan supports the children as they train to take part in Dundee's annual Cross Country festival – a cross country race against pupils from across Dundee.

Athletics P6-7 – Miss Callaghan supports the children to practice different athletics skills in preparation for participating in Dundee's annual Athletics Festival.

Swimming P7- Our P7 children participate in swimming lessons during the school day as part of the transition process with Baldragon Academy.

Breakfast Club: The breakfast club is run by Mrs Fairfield and Mrs Stockman alongside staff from Tayside Contracts. The club costs £2.00 per day and children from P1 – P7 can attend. The cost is reduced to £1.00 for the second child in the family. Children who are entitled to Free School Meals are entitled to free access to the breakfast club.

Section 10: ScotXed Education Statistics Privacy Notice for Pupil and Teacher Data

These notices are intended to provide information to pupils, teachers and parents about data collected through Scottish Government Statistical Surveys including why it is needed, data policy and individuals' data protection rights. The changes in the latest version are intended to:

- Clarify that the information collected is about pupils/teachers in schools rather than solely related to the Pupil or Teacher Census.
- Continue to inform pupils, teachers and parents that the data may be shared with partners for statistics and research purposes and clarify that this could include linkage to other sources in line with the National Data Linkage Guiding Principles.
- Confirm that pupil/teacher names and address (other than postcode) are never collected.

Local authorities are responsible for ensuring pupils, teachers and parents are kept informed about how data will be used and that such information provided is reviewed regularly to ensure it is in line with best practice.

You can access the updated notices at the following links:

- Education Statistics Privacy Notice – Pupils – <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/ScotXed/SchoolEducation/SchoolPupilCensus/SchoolHandbookInsertpupils>
- Education Statistics Privacy Notice – Teachers – <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/ScotXed/SchoolEducation/StaffCensus/SchoolHandbookInsertstaff>



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