

October 2019

Dear Parents



Holmfirth
Junior, Infant and Nursery School

Thank you to those of you who attended the Curriculum meetings recently. We hope that they provided a deeper insight about our curriculum intent and implementation. If you were unable to attend the meetings, our school website has much of the information <https://holmfirthjinschool.net/curriculum-2019-2020/>. The tab "Curriculum 2019-2020", provides a commentary about our beliefs and values for all children at Nabb. Information is provided about the importance of our 4 key drivers:

- **Collaboration, Communication, Creativity and Curiosity** for lifelong learning. (4C4Life)

Further tabs provide narratives about our approach to:

- Reading, Writing, Mathematics, Assessment, Kagan principles and Homework (The Basics)
- The breadth and balance of our curriculum (Curriculum overviews)
- Our aims for each curriculum subject (End Points)
- Planning for each class, indicating topic links (Medium Term Plans + 4C4Life)
- Expected standards for Speaking, Reading, Writing and Mathematics (Age Related Expectations).

Our challenge is to ensure that we deliver a curriculum that we are proud of, which fulfils our intent and meets the needs of our children. This is no easy target but, by sharing our vision with you and the ways in which you can make this happen, I am convinced that the pathways and processes set out will be achievable.

Our financial situation is such that we must explore every avenue to maximise alternative contribution.

In short, we are looking to fund the following, over the next 3 years.

	COST	ROUTE	NEED
4C4LIFE curriculum resources (Art / DT / Science / Maths / IT)	£12000	2019-20 + 20-21	HIGH
4C4LIFE Kagan resources / staff training	£900	2019-20	HIGH
Community Projects (Carry My Story + Arts), involving linking with another school in Kirklees + a refugee	£700	2019-20	MEDIUM
Whole school + individual learning programmes (Charanga – Music (£400) / Rockstars – Maths (£100) / Nessy – Reading + Writing (£600) / Just2Easy – Creative curriculum (£700) / Letterjoin – Handwriting (£300) / Purple Mash (£800)	£2900	2019-20 2020-21	HIGH
Allotment project (clearance / fencing)	£1000	2019-20	LOW
Allotment project (beds / polytunnel / covered areas / seating / garden equipment)	£3000	2020-21	LOW
Library re-organisation (Seating / Shelving / Resources)	£10000	2021-21	MEDIUM

Our FONS team organise and run a number of events throughout the year, including a Christmas and Summer Fair and discos. It would be great if you could spare time to help with the running of one of these events. Please look out for further FONS details soon, with plans for the year ahead. In addition, School Lottery (£689.50) and Amazon Smile (£77.57) contributed to the cause. Further details about both of these schemes will be sent home shortly.

Some of you have asked about the possibility of creating a facility for financial contribution to school via a donation page on ParentPay, which we are currently looking into.

Alternatively, you may be able to help with our Allotment project or Library re-organisation to save on external resourcing costs, or it might be that you have some particular expertise that we could tap into within the school setting. We are continually indebted to many parents and grandparents who help with reading groups, and it might be that you are able and willing to support our curriculum. Finally, if you have any connections with the local community who may provide some form of sponsorship, any ideas/contacts would be welcomed.

Yours sincerely

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