

Framework for School Improvement Planning 2025/26

	Section 1: School Information and 3 Year Improvement Plan Priorities		
School/Establishment	Baljaffray Primary School		
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School Statement: Vision, Values & Aims and Curriculum Rationale

Vision, Values and Aims

http://www.baljaffray.e-dunbarton.sch.uk/school-info/vision-values-and-aims/

Curriculum Rationale

http://www.baljaffray.e-dunbarton.sch.uk/learning/curriculum/

Include links to these documents.

	Looking Forwards – 3 Year Improvement Plan Priorities		
Session	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28
Priority 1	Raising Attainment in Literacy through Pedagogy for Learning, Teaching and Assessment in Writing	Raising Attainment in Literacy through Pedagogy for Learning, Teaching and Assessment in Writing.	Expressive Arts
Priority 2	Improvement of Wellbeing and Equity through the	Improvement of Wellbeing and Equity through the	Improvement of Wellbeing and Equity through the



	Implementation of the CIRCLE	Implementation of the CIRCLE	Implementation of the CIRCLE
	Framework and Promoting	Framework and Promoting	Framework and Promoting
	Positive Relationships and	Positive Relationships and	Positive Relationships and
	Behaviour	Behaviour	Behaviour
	(Year 2)	(Year 2)	(Year 3)
Priority 3	Learning for Sustainability/ Outdoor Learning/Meta Skills (Year 2)	Learning for Sustainability/ Outdoor Learning/Metaskills (Year 3)	

Section 2: Improvement Priority 1		
School/Establishment	Baljaffray Primary	
Improvement Priority 1	Raising Attainment in Literacy through Pedagogy for Learning, Teaching and Assessment in Writing	
Person(s) Responsible	Head Teacher	

NIF Priority	NIF Driver	HGIOS 4 QIs	EDC Service Plan 2023-26
Closing the attainment gap between the most and least disadvantaged children Improvement in attainment, particularly in literacy and numeracy.	school leadership teacher professionalism curriculum and assessment	QI 1.1 Self evaluation for self improvement QI 2.2 Curriculum QI 2.3 Learning, Teaching & Assessment	Improvement in attainment in literacy and English Closing the attainment gap between the most and least disadvantaged Closing the attainment gap between the most and least disadvantaged



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Links to rights: Articles 12 & 14 – The right to shar Articles 28 and 29- The right to lea		

Opportunities for Leadership	Resource Requirements	Parental Engagement and Involvement
 Teacher Leadership related to classroom practice. Teaching staff will work with SMT to identify potential targets to address learners' barriers within writing Teaching staff will work with SMT to measure the impact of identified intervention(s) Teachers will lead learning through professional reading Learners will provide feedback on any interventions that they have participated in Teacher Leadership – reading effective pedagogies relating to writing P1-P7 	 Time – see collegiate calendar for SIP/Staff meetings and In-service Days/Personal professional development time. Cover costs for staff undertaking any leadership responsibility that requires release from class. Cover Costs for staff to be released from class to observe lesson within and outwith Baljaffray (Cluster visits) Cover Cost to release Literacy Champion(s) Cover to enable more effective dialogue/peer obs between P1 and ELC Possible resources as identified through use of Equity Framework and Hub Resources to inspire writing (aimed at boys) 	 Parent Feedback - feeding into improvement planning (Glow Forms). Parent Council ongoing involvement in feeding back parent views at meetings.
Professional Learning	Interventions for Equity	Pupil Equity Funding (PEF) Allocation



 Whole staff/ Teaching staff CLPL (Inservice Days/ collegiate hrs). Professional reading/ viewing online materials 	EDC Literacy Framework EDC Literacy Hub Writing Pedagogy Research and Reading Education Scotland Resources	 Whole staff/ Teaching staff CLPL Resources to support Writing – particular focus aimed at boys Professional reading/ viewing online
 Moderation Quality assurance processes. Peer/ SMT/professional discussions Peer Observations 		materials

Outcomes/Expected	Tasks/Interventions	Measures	Timescale(s)	Progress
Impact				
Outcomes for learners; targets; %	Activities in Working Time Agreement,	What ongoing information will	What are the key dates	
change	Professional Learning	demonstrate progress? Identify	for implementation? When will outcomes be	
	Learning and Teaching interventions	qualitative, quantitative, evaluative pre and post measures	measured?	
All staff have an improved	Staff CLPL (Cluster)	Staff Evaluations of CLPL cluster	Collegiate Session	
understanding of	introduction to Equity in	event	- 18 September	
interventions in Literacy to	Literacy Framework document	Peer feedback during whole staff		
remove barriers for pupils		and dept. meetings		
	Identification of targeted pupil			
All pupils experiencing	barriers within Literacy			
barriers to their Literacy	attainment			
attainment are supported				
with appropriate interventions	Identification of appropriate			
	interventions for identified			
Improved attainment in	pupils			
literacy for identified learning				
through closing an identified	Implementation of Literacy			
gap using Equity in Literacy	interventions for identified			
Framework	pupils			



	Completion of Equity & Literacy Pro forma documentation - embed within FSA	Tracking and Monitoring meetings Ongoing/termly assessments Standardised assessments	October – March 2026
All staff have an increased understanding of strategies to support Dyslexic learners. Increased attainment for all identified pupils through the implementation of dyslexic support strategies.	Completion of Education Scotland Dyslexic modules. Collaborative staff opportunities to develop knowledge Identified CLPL through PRD process	Pre and post intervention assessments Tracking and monitoring meetings ACEL Data	October – March 2026
	Introduce draft Writing Guidance for staff	Time allocated within Collegiate Calendar	On going throughout session
Learners will experience more consistent approach to writing across the whole school as all teaching staff implement the teaching writing programme	Daily short writing sessions introduced across the whole school.	SLT/ Peer Observations Learning Walks Pupil surveys – pre /post – views and attitudes to writing in class	Ongoing throughout session
Increased attainment and achievement in writing for almost all learners at all stages.	Introduction of structured approach to writing with nine text types taught progressively over 7 years.	Team teaching feedback	Start Sept 26 ongoing throughout session





		Robust assessment of		
Improved Learner attitudes	Whole school writing	achievement at each stage		
(particularly boys) to writing.	programme established	acilievement at each stage	Termly	
(particularly boys) to writing.	incorporating spelling,		Tominy	
Improved learning awareness	grammar and punctuation.	Jotter monitoring – pupil writing		
of text types and writing	grammar and punctuation.	jotters used as part of quality	Term 1 – ongoing	
techniques	Literacy tracker introduced and	assurance process.	Tomit ongoing	
	referred to at L and T	accuration process.		
	meetings.	Pre – post assessments		
Class teachers have robust		Block assessment of strategies		
understanding of writing	Review/ adaptation of writing	taught		
pedagogy.	criteria.	Moderation of assessments		
		Peer observations of writing		
Increased confidence in the	Termly writing moderation	lessons	Term 1 assess at	
assessment of writing.	Pupil views sought	Learning walks	end of session	
		Pupil surveys/ questionnaires		
Improved teacher	Staff research reading re			
judgements about standards	approaches to motivate boys		Termly	
of writing based on shared	to write with collegiate	Learning walks		
expectations.	discussion follow up	Class observations	CD sessions	
		Pupil feedback		
Achievement of a level robust		Parental feedback	0	
and based on evidence.	Jotter monitoring – moderation	LTTA meetings FSA	Sept 25 on going	
	across a level to ensure			
Improved to a shar	consistency of teaching			
Improved teacher	approaches and assessment			
judgements about standards in writing based on shared	methods – ensuring consistent high expectations			
expectations. Achievement of	Ingricapediations			
a level data is robust and	CD sessions showcasing a			
evidence based	good writing lesson.			
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	Incorporate free creative writing sessions as part of weekly literacy programme.	
	Section 2: Improvement Priority 2	
School/Establishment	Baljaffray Primary	
Improvement Priority 2	Baljaffray Primary	
	Implementation of the Circle Framework	
Person(s) Responsible	DHT	

NIF Priority	NIF Driver	HGIOS 4 QIs	EDC Service Plan 2023-26
Placing the human rights and needs of every child and young person at the centre Improvement in children and young people's health and wellbeing Closing the attainment gap between the most and least disadvantaged children	school leadership school improvement curriculum and assessment	QI 3.1 Wellbeing, equality & inclusion QI 3.2 Raising attainment and achievement QI 2.3 Learning, Teaching & Assessment	Improvement in children and young people's mental health and wellbeing Closing the attainment gap between the most and least disadvantaged Placing the human needs and rights of every child and young person at the centre of education

Links to rights:

Articles 12 & 14 – The right to share your opinion (feedback from all stakeholders)

Article 19 – The right to be safe (the classroom/ school as a safe place)

Article 24 – The right to be healthy (support for all aspects of health – physical, mental, emotional and social)



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Articles 28 and 29- The right to learn and be the best you can be Article 31 – The right to play

Opportunities for Leadership	Resource Requirements	Parental Engagement and Involvement
Lead CIRCLE trainer to attend EDC CIRCLE	Time – Collegiate Calendar	Parent Council ongoing involvement in
training	Cover Costs for staff	feeding back parent views at meetings.
CIRCLE trainer to attend PLCs with other	Circle Framework tools:	Parental engagement – use of Participation
EDC staff	CIRCLE resource to support Inclusive	Scale to support individual learners.
Teacher leadership related to classroom	Learning and Collaborative Working	Parental questionnaires/surveys
practice	(Primary) Resources Education Scotland	Newsletters
Peer Observations within Baljaffray and	Education Scotland Training Videos	Open afternoon to showcase curriculum
outwith		
Learner Leadership – CIRCLE Beehive		
Pupil Voice – support strategies for		
individuals		
Professional Learning	Interventions for Equity	Pupil Equity Funding (PEF) Allocation
Whole staff/ Teaching staff CLPL	The Circle Framework as a strategy to	
(Inservice Days/ collegiate hrs).	support all learners, especially those with	
Professional reading/ viewing online	additional support needs.	
materials		
Quality assurance processes.		
Peer/ SMT/professional discussions		
Professional Enquiry Approaches		

Outcomes/Expected	Tasks/Interventions	Measures	Timescale(s)	Progress
Impact				
Outcomes for learners; targets; %	Activities in Working Time	What ongoing information will	What are the key dates	
change	Agreement, Professional Learning	demonstrate progress? Identify	for implementation?	
	Learning and Teaching interventions	qualitative, quantitative, evaluative pre	When will outcomes be	
		and post measures	measured?	



All children and young people's needs and behaviours will be better understood and supported through increased staff understanding of inclusion and additional support needs.	Expanding on CIRCLE Framework at Aug Inservice, specifically Participation Scale and associated supports for all staff. Circle advisor PLC sessions throughout the year fed back to school staff Parent and Pupil consultation shows that targeted groups of learners have an increased involvement in identification of strategies and supports that they can access within their learning environment	Staff feedback from the initial introduction session highlights areas for development within CIRCLE Action plan. Staff pre and post training assessment of knowledge and skills. Pupil Voice tools/ pupil forum Parent Voice gathered through parent appointments/ TACS	August Inservice Day August 25 & June 26 June 26	
Improved Classroom Environments for Children: Teachers make use of CICS (Circle Inclusive Classroom Scale) to evaluate and adapt classroom environment	Staff use CICS individually and with a supportive peer to critically analyse classrooms for new cohort of pupils using learning from last session.	Reflections with colleagues and changes made to classrooms as a result of self evaluation using CICS- and Action Plan Moderation and evaluation evidence shows increase in universal level supports available to all learners	Oct 25	Improved Classroom Environments for Children: Teachers make use of CICS (Circle Inclusive Classroom Scale) to evaluate and adapt classroom environment
Improved implementation of Personalised support Teachers will support improved participation of individual learners through analysis of Participation	Staff use CPS to identify individual learners' strengths and areas for development Staff will identify and implement further strategies to enhance pupil skills in collaboration with	Completion of pre and post participation scale for individuals – case studies for those who have support plans/TAC meetings. Views of parents/carers and learners will be used to inform	By June 26	



Scale (CPS) and associated skills and strategies Class teachers will be able to work alongside staff with specific support for learning remits to complete a more detailed assessment of needs when required.	Parent/carer and individual children and young people Staff use CPS alongside formative and summative assessment to identify individual learners' strengths and areas for development	the assessment process and to develop a shared understanding of successful support strategies. Use of parent postcards as appropriate.		
All learners will experience improved approaches for Supporting Children and Young People using the Circle Framework	All staff implement appropriate interventions with consideration of CICS & Skills, Supports and Strategies outlined in Circle Framework	Reflections with colleagues and changes made to classroom practice as a result of self-evaluation using CICS action plan and CPS	Term 3 By June 26	



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	Section 2: Improvement Priority 3			
School/Establishment	Baljaffray Primary School			
Improvement Priority 3 Learning for Sustainability/ Outdoor Learning/Meta Skills (Year 2)				
Person(s) Responsible	Head Teacher			
	Class teachers			

NIF Priority	NIF Driver	HGIOS 4 QIs	EDC Service Plan 2023-26
Improvement in children and young people's health and wellbeing Placing the human rights and needs of every child and young person at the centre	school improvement teacher professionalism parent / carer involvement and engagement	QI 3.1 Wellbeing, equality & inclusion QI 3.1 Wellbeing, equality & inclusion QI 3.2 Raising attainment and achievement	Improvement in children and young people's mental health and wellbeing Closing the attainment gap between the most and least disadvantaged
Links to rights:			

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Opportunities for Leadership	Resource Requirements	Parental Engagement and Involvement
Class teachers leading outdoor learning	Time – Collegiate Calendar	Parent feedback
Teachers will lead learn after attending	Climate 180 training sessions	Parent Council Views
Climate 180 training, and professional	Cover costs for staff undertaking leadership	
reading.	responsibilities	
Learners will have opportunities to lead		
learning through assemblies and Beehives.		
Professional Learning	Interventions for Equity	Pupil Equity Funding (PEF) Allocation
Climate 180 training for selected staff – 3	Skills development	Training
online learning modules		STEM resources Outdoor resources
Training session from learning through		
landscapes		
CD session for all staff		

Outcomes/Expected Impact	Tasks/Interventions	Measures	Timescale(s)	Progress
Outcomes for learners; targets; % change	Activities in Working Time Agreement, Professional Learning Learning and Teaching interventions	What ongoing information will demonstrate progress? Identify qualitative, quantitative, evaluative pre and post measures	What are the key dates for implementation? When will outcomes be measured?	
Learners will have greater opportunities for outdoor learning linked to LfS and STEM.	Online training modules for selected staff Learning through landscapes training. Climate change audit – staff and pupils	Staff views/ feedback Pupil views/ feedback	Term 1 and ongoing Oct INSET	



Learners will develop skills in using tools as part of STEM outdoors.	Progression pathway to be developed for tool use – linked to meta skills.	Staff views/ feedback Pupil views/ feedback	Term 1 and ongoing Oct INSET
	Make effective use of Education Scotland Outdoor Learning for Sustainability Wakelet Sharing good practice	Staff and pupil views	Ongoing
	sessions termly CD sessions		
Learners lead the development of school grounds. Children's health and well being will improve through regular access to outdoor learning.	Beehives lead development of areas within school: Garden area Growing Area Wild Garden	Staff and pupil views	Ongoing
Learners take action – children select issue relating to climate change and lead a campaign of action.	As part of LfS and IDL approach each class identify aspect of climate change and identify how they can improve. Tackle and take action for positive change.	Pupil Views	Term 4
Increased learner knowledge and confidence in applying and evaluating meta-skills through high quality STEM experiences indoors and outdoors.	Develop meta skills programme – embedded skills for learning, life and work within IDL programme and outdoor learning.	Pupil views Leadership self reflection grid Learning walks Observations	Term 1 Term 4



Devise progression tracker for meta skills/ leadership opportunities.		

Section	Section 3: Interventions for Equity: Pupil Equity Funding (PEF) not included in priorities 1-3					
Outcomes/Expected Impact		Resources	Measures	Timescale(s)	Progress	
Outcomes for learners; targets; % change	Health & Wellbeing, Literacy and Numeracy interventions for identified groups	Identify PEF allocation, staffing and resources that will be procured to support	Identify qualitative, quantitative, evaluative pre and post measures	What are the key dates for implementation? When will outcomes be measured?	Identify progress and impact in narrowing the PRAG	
Improved attainment in reading and numeracy	PIRAs and PUMAs administered at P2, P3. P5 and P6	Standardised assessments in reading and maths £809.90	Summative assessment	Term 1		
Improved attainment in reading. Improved motivation of readers.	Fiction novels selected by pupils.	Novels to support and motivate reading. £5000 approx	Pupil views/ feedback Pupil selection of novels	Term 1 ongoing		
Improved attainment in mathematics across all stages.	Numeracy software introduced and used by identified pupils.	Maths IT resource £250	Termly maths assessments	Ongoing		
Children will experience quality learning experiences outdoors.	Outdoor learning experiences for all stages linking to IDL LfS topics.	Outdoor Learning Training £1000 Waterproof Clothing Class Sets - S/M/L 30 x £20 x 3 £1800	Pupil Feedback	Ongoing		



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All staff will report increased knowledge, confidence and skills in planning and delivering learning outdoors.		Adult Sets £300			
All pupils will have increased opportunities for outdoor learning for sustainability.	Outdoor learning experiences for all stages linking to IDL LfS topics	Fortnightly – hire of EDC minibus £75 per session £1500		Ongoing	
Improved attainment in literacy at P7 for individual learners.	Literacy improvement in attainment	Clicker £2250 Literacy IT supports- £1298 Reading Online Resource £1115	Raised attainment in literacy	Ongoing	
Improved wellbeing for all learners.	Children accessing tools /resources whilst participating in STEM activities outdoors.	Tools/ Resources for STEM outdoors £2500 approx	Surveys	Ongoing	

School PEF allocation 25/26: £ 16 200 Total PEF allocated in SIP £16,200 Underspend: £