



WELCOME TO A NEW SCHOOL YEAR

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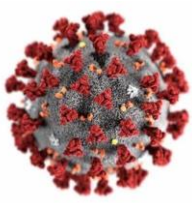
GREETINGS FROM MRS BOYLE

It is my absolute pleasure to welcome everyone to Term 1 2021-22 and introduce myself as your new Head Teacher.

I would like to say thank you for the warm welcome I have received at Boddam so far.

A quick bit of background about me: I have recently returned to Scotland after 9 years working abroad in Qatar, where I was Head Teacher of a large international Primary school. Prior to that I worked in various Primary schools around the North-West of England (where I am originally from) and even longer ago, began my career in education working in a 6th form college, over 20 years ago! I am absolutely thrilled to be in Scotland and Boddam and love the wonderful sense of community that exists here, which was one of the things I was hoping for when I decided to leave the international sector.

Although some Covid Restrictions have now been lifted across the country, for at least the next 6 weeks, we will still be bound at school by the same restrictions that applied prior to the holidays. This will mean:



- No gatherings of children or mixing of classes (e.g. for assembly)
- Teachers and school staff will continue to wear face coverings
- Parents and visitors are not permitted into school buildings
- Hand washing and sanitizing remains a part of the school day routine

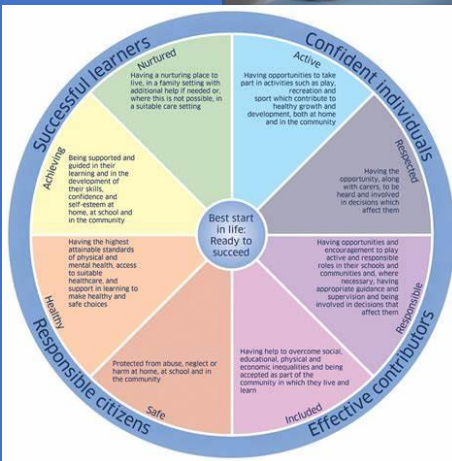


HEALTH & WELLBEING

You will, by now, have received an email with some information about the Health and Wellbeing curriculum that will be covered this term at school. Health and Wellbeing is a valuable part of our curriculum and provides opportunities for us to talk about and monitor children's wellbeing as well as helping them to learn about how to maintain their own wellbeing.

The curriculum does include sex & relationships education, so I would urge you to look through the materials that were sent to you and familiarize yourself with the content of the lessons so you understand what your child will be learning.

If, for any reason, you wish to opt out of Health and Wellbeing lessons for your child, please notify Mrs Boyle.



General Notices

- Your child's teacher(s) will notify you of which days the class will do PE, gardening etc. The children should come to school wearing suitable clothing and footwear for these activities on the relevant days
- Please take the time to complete the survey you have received a link to - this will help us to make sure we're working together for your children:

<https://forms.gle/ZVEoi49VHVWwSBL8>