Welcome to Primary 1 at Woodburn Primary School. My name is Mrs Haig and I look forward to teaching your child this year and supporting them through their Primary 1 journey. The children have settled well into school life and have been getting used to the routines of school. We have been having our lunches in the dining hall and spending our break and lunch times in the infant playground. We have been getting to know each other during play and circle time. We named our class teddy ‘Cuddles’ and he has been helping us with our listening and talking skills. We have been on a few tours of our school and we have been going to citizenship gatherings/assemblies in the school hall. We have been learning about our class charter, exploring stories, playing with our peers and working on our fine motor skills.

Class Charter
In P1H our class charter is based on the United Nations Rights of a Child. We looked at our rights and discussed our responsibilities. Then we created our class rules.

- We have the right to share our own ideas. (Article 12)
  ➢ We will listen well to others.

- We have the right to learn new things. (Article 29)
  ➢ We will concentrate during learning.

- We have the right to have friends and join in games. (Article 15)
  ➢ We will be kind and let everyone join in.

- We have the right to be safe and not be hurt by anyone. (Article 19)
  ➢ We will use gentle hands and body.

- We have the right to have the time to play. (Article 31)
  ➢ We will look after things in our class room.

Topic
Our first topic will be ‘Feelings and Emotions’. This will involve the pupils exploring their own feelings and understanding the feelings of others. At the moment we are working on our class charters which relates to this topic. As well as this we will be doing a literature study and we will be focusing on the story of ‘Goldilocks and the Three Bears’ and other traditional tales.

Numeracy and Maths
We will be working on our number recognition, number formation and counting forwards and backwards from any given number. We are learning to sort items and talk about our findings.

PE
We will have PE on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. On Gym days, please make sure your child is wearing uniform that is easy to get on and off. Please ensure your child has a change of shoes, t-shirt and shorts, all labelled with their name (reminder - no football tops please).

Literacy and English
We will be learning our initial sounds, letter formation and blending sounds to read 3 letter words (CVCs). We are also exploring rhyming words within familiar rhymes. Primary 1 will get the chance to visit our school library once a week.

Ways you can help...
- Encourage lining up independently.
- Practising zips, buttons and dressing themselves.
- Counting forwards and backwards as high as you can, starting from a variety of numbers.
- Looking for sounds in the environment.
- Exploring stories and discussing characters, feelings and rhyme.
- Encouraging imaginative play.

Specialist Teachers
This term Primary 1H will have the following specialist teachers:

- Dance with Mrs Smith on a Tuesday.
- Music with Mrs MacInroy on a Wednesday.

Upcoming Events:
5th September – Meet the Staff
19th September – P1/P2 Movie Night
25th & 26th September – Parent Consultations (more information to follow)
9th October – Shared Learning
12th October – Break for October Holiday
23rd October – Return from October Holiday
26th October – Monster Mash

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If you have a concern or query don’t hesitate to speak to the class teacher or make an appointment through the school office.