





Gryffe High School

School Improvement Plan 2023/24

Planning framework

As part of Children's Services, Gryffe High School has developed this establishment improvement plan which provides a framework for how we intend to achieve Children's Services' vision of working together to get it right for children, families and communities – Protecting, learning, achieving and nurturing.

National Priorities

We also have to take account of the Scottish Government's national improvement framework which provides a vision for education in Scotland, namely to:

- 1. place the human rights and needs of every child and young person at the centre of education;
- 2. improve attainment, particularly in literacy and numeracy;
- 3. close the attainment gap between the most and least disadvantaged pupils;
- 4. improve children's health and wellbeing; and
- 5. improve children and young people's employability skills so that they move into positive and sustained destinations.

Renfrewshire's Education Priorities

Our priorities will also align with the Renfrewshire Council Plan and Education Improvement Priorities listed on pages 3 and 4.

Pupil Equity Funding

Our school receives Pupil Equity Funding (PEF) to provide targeted interventions in literacy, numeracy and health and wellbeing to close the poverty related attainment gap. This funding enables us to plan additional interventions to those which were already planned. These interventions are highlighted throughout this improvement plan using the (PEF) abbreviation.

The priorities and actions within this improvement plan address the needs of our school and articulate with local and national priorities.

Renfrewshire Council Plan Strategic Outcomes

Cross cutting theme: Improving outcomes for children and families

We will encourage kind and connected communities— where our citizens take pride in their **place**, attracting others to move here and share in the opportunities Renfrewshire has to offer.

We will support a strong and flexible local **economy**—with Renfrewshire able to adapt after the pandemic, building up resilience to support good green jobs and skills for all local people to enjoy the benefits of both living and working here.

We want Renfrewshire to be a fair place—where all our people have the best chances to live happy, healthy and fulfilled lives, to feel safe, supported and empowered to unlock the strength of our collective potential.

We are working towards a greener future—taking responsibility for our impact on the planet and taking brave, bold steps to protect the natural environment that supports and benefits us all.

We want our employees to feel proud to work for Renfrewshire Council because we are a **values** driven organisation, where we all understand and value our contributions, and we are passionate about making a difference for Renfrewshire.

Renfrewshire Council's Values

We are **fair**, we treat each other and everyone we deal with respectfully and work hard to build trust in Renfrewshire Council.

We are **helpful**, we care about getting things right and are always approachable.

We are great collaborators; we work as one team and with people who care about this place.

We value **learning** to help us innovate, improve and deliver better services.

Children's Services Vision

Working together to get it right for children, families and communities – protecting, learning, achieving and nurturing

Renfrewshire's Education Improvement Plan Priorities

Protecting the most vulnerable members of our communities including children and young people who are at risk. Work will progress to ensure Renfrewshire keeps the Promise and delivers improved outcomes for individuals who are care experienced. Where possible children will be kept within their families and priority given to securing provision for kinship care.

Family supports and focussing on early intervention, by equipping parents and carers with the information, skills and support they need to ensure positive outcomes for children and young people in their care, whilst providing opportunities for parents and carers to shape the services that impact them.

Enhancing supports around mental health and wellbeing, including the school-based mental health and wellbeing programme and the Ren10 network of staff and volunteers who provide early help services to those in need.

Enhance learning and teaching, delivering a meaningful, relevant and progressive curriculum that supports a wide range of learner pathways by placing the rights and needs of every child and young person at the centre of education. Efforts will focus on raising attainment while ensuring equity for all. There will be a sustained focus on delivering a curriculum that equips all children and young people to achieve success in life.

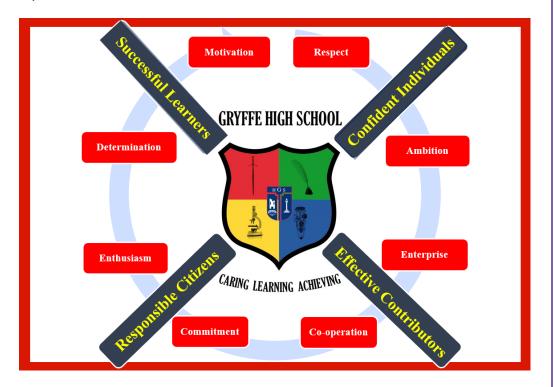
Through a shared vision and understanding of inclusion, children and young people will experience inclusive learning experiences and supportive relationships which lead to positive life outcomes

Our Vision, Values and Aims

Our School Vision

Gryffe High School is fully committed to maintaining consistently high standards in all aspects of school life. This will be achieved through fostering a caring environment, with learners at the centre, ensuring everyone feels safe and supported. We endeavour to promote effective learning and teaching and provide all pupils, and staff, with opportunities to enable their true potential to be realised in a challenging, supportive and enjoyable way.

Our School Values CARING, LEARNING, ACHIEVING



We are committed to developing nurturing relationships in Gryffe High School

Who did we consult?

To identify our priorities for improvement, we sought the views of pupils, parents/carers, staff and partners. We used a variety of methods of getting the views of those who are involved in the life and work of Gryffe High School such as:

Pupils: Pupil Management Group, House Captains, Pupil Council, Assemblies, Pupil Focus Groups/surveys, Pupil and Staff Committees – Citizenship, ECO, LGBTQ

Parents/Carers: Parent Council, School Website and other media, surveys, focus groups

Staff: FHs/PTs, Senior Leadership Meetings, Staff Meetings, In Service Days, GLOW updates, Staff Focus Groups/surveys

We have also consulted with our partners across and out with the Council to assist us in the delivery of our priorities.

Discussion with partner agencies such as SDS, Home Link, Education Psychology and Chaplaincy Team to identify strengths and areas of improvement in partnership working.

All information gathered is collated and used to assist us to identify next steps and areas for improvement.

How we will know if we are achieving our aims?

We will measure and evaluate the progress we are making to achieve the key outcomes set out in this plan. We do this using quality assurance activities that include:

- Whole school, Department/Faculty Quality Improvement Calendars
- Whole school, Department/Faculty Operational (Planning) Sheets
- FH/PT fortnightly meetings and Annual Reviews: September and February
- SMT, Department/Faculty Minutes
- · Continuous monitoring and tracking on a range of data
- Collegiate SIP working groups
- Focus groups and questionnaires of pupils, parents/carers, staff and partners

Each year we also complete a standards and quality report and self-evaluation document which are monitored by Renfrewshire Council Children's Services' staff

Curriculum Area and Subjects					
Improve outcomes for learners through high quality learning and teaching that sustains and improves on high levels of attainment and achievement for all					
HGIOS QIs	NIF Priorities		4 6 4 4 4		Drivers
1.1, 1.3, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4	Placing the human rights and needs of every child and young pe education	rson at the centre of	1. School Le	adership	4. Assessment of Children's Progress
3.3	Closing the attainment gap between the most and least advantage people	ged children and young	2. Teacher P	rofessionalism	5. School Improvement
	Improvement in attainment, particularly in literacy and numeracy		3. Parental E	ingagement	6. Performance Information
Rationale for change	Outcome and Expected Impact	Measur	es		Intervention (PEF)
We recognise the increased importance of building pupil confidence, having an increased focus on skills to address the gaps within attainment and achievement. Supporting pupils to achieve their potential.	All new staff are confident in implementing Attainment procedures By May 2024, over 90% reports sampled demonstrate clear knowledge of pupils, progress statement & next steps comment, and more robust working levels Robust reporting data informs a wide range of timely interventions, including targeted support classes and study support Achieve Local Authority Senior Phase Attainment targets agreed in August/Sept 2023 By May 2024, Level 3 numeracy increases to 94% from 93% By May 2024, Level 4 literacy, writing, increases to 80% from 71% By May 2024, at least 85% of pupils in S1 will have increased their reading age by a year. By May 2024, maintain and embed Silver Reading Schools Award criteria to promote reading for pleasure By August 2024, 75% to 90% of N5 results are in line with the pupil's S3 final BGE levels (S3 exam data) By May 2024, 90% of pupils in the targeted Literacy group will increase their reading age by over a year.	FH/DM Minutes In Service Day/Effective Presentations and tasks New staff survey on attai FH/PT collegiate discuss feedback Attainment data	idence submitted ding Data ention data inment Team will ed in DM minutes targeted group weekly library re of reading eal Church a measured against evious reporting oupils staying on heir peers.	data and provide Project Leader Learning and To Develop the roand Wellbeing identified grow. FTE Literacy interventions in primaries (PEF support £ Talk for Writing Primaries) Accelerated Reserventions in primaries Accelerated Reserventions in primaries (PEF support £ 0.1 FTE Nume interventions in primaries (PEF support £ Attainment provided properties) Enhanced use of making approper Revised P7/S1 P7 Subject time periods English allocated times	to support creative and bespoke including transition work with Cluster (12,201.07) and Working Group including our Cluster (2300) aracy to support creative and bespoke including transition work with Cluster (2007).

Following advice from	By May 2024, 90% of pupils in the targeted Maths group will have completed SEAL Maths. By May 2024, almost all (91-99%) of our targeted group (S4-6) of pupils (care experienced, those impacted by poverty, young carers and those with ASNs) feel supported to achieve success and positive outcomes in line with their peers (May 2023 76% of targeted pupils compared to 97% of peers). By May 2024, 100% of FT ASNAs trained in: SEAL Maths CIRCLE inclusive classroom Accelerated Reading Effective Check-ins with pupils By May 2024, all departments will have uploaded two	S3 exam data FH/DM Minutes	Talk for Writing literacy programme, extended to include Social Subjects to improve writing Continue to have an increased focus on improving literacy and numeracy across the curriculum Time allocated to R Sharp to support FHs/PTs with
HMIe, Moderation in the BGE will continues to be a key focus – this is year 2 of 3. Moderation cycle: Point - Learning, teaching and assessment reflection on appropriate balance between ongoing and periodic assessment Point 4 - evidence gathering to demonstrating breadth, challenge and application	more fully moderation examples of assessment items to our moderation team All subjects will have completed a traffic light audit of the next two sections of the moderation cycle S1-S3 (points 3 and 4 of cycle). Over 90% of departments feel more confident in the application of focused aspects of the moderation cycle S1-S3. Over 90% of departments have made good progress with red traffic lighted moderation items identified in 2022/23 (1 & 2 of cycle). Over 90% of pupils report regular experiences of peer & self-assessment and opportunities to be involved in leading learning and regular learner conversations reviewing strengths, areas for development and next steps.	In Service Day/Effective Practice Presentations and tasks HT/PT Annual Reviews Pupil Voice – pupil focus groups based on education Scotland prompt questions form the Moderation Hub Department traffic lighted surveys based on education Scotland prompt questions form the Moderation Hub Department review surveys Sharing examples of moderation BGE assessments on our whole school Moderation Microsoft TEAM L & T working group Pupil, staff & parent/carer consultation on L & T policy and excellent learning poster	consistent whole school approach to Moderation with particular focus on the BGE All staff engage in Moderation tasks and activities, supporting teachers to provide courses at the right level for young people within their class (ongoing across the session starting with S3) Time protected on timetable for FHs/PTs to work collegiately on Learning and Teaching Inservice and Sharing Effective Practice Sessions on Moderation FH / PT meetings – time allocated for moderation activities Use of moderation cycle within BGE to build on existing practice to improving the reliability of assessment evidence from S1 to S3 Review and update of our Learning and Teaching policy and our excellent learning poster. Revamp Page of the month as Big Ideas in Learning and review peer observation programme

Ethos and life of the school as a community Reduce inequalities and delivering improved health and wellbeing outcomes for children and young people						
HGIOS QIS 1.1, 2.1, 2.4, 3.1	NIF Priorities Placing the human rights and needs of every child and young person at the centre of education Improvement in children and young people's health and wellbeing Closing the attainment gap between the most and least advantaged children and young people		1. Schoo 2. Teach	NIF Drivers . School Leadership		
Rationale for change	Outcome and Expected Impact	Measures			Intervention	
We recognise the importance of building pupil confidence through the provision of a positive learning and teaching environment A focus on wellbeing, inclusion and nurture remains key. The GMWP continues to be a valuable tool to allow pupils to reflect on their own wellbeing	By June 2024, almost all young people (91-99%) report that they learn about their rights at school and feel they are treated with respect by adults and pupils Rights Respecting Schools Gold Award maintained – promoting the rights of the child in everything across Learning. By 31 May 2024, almost all young people (91-99%) will feel our school offers a positive environment where they are well supported and know what supports are available (SfL and Wellbeing) and where to access this support if needed. By June 2024, almost all young people (91-99%) Strongly agree or Agree with the statement 'I feel safe in this school' and 'Adults tell me what I am good at' (GMWP) By June 2024 almost all young people (91-99%) Strongly agree or Agree that anxiety 1-1 workshops are positively impacting their experience within and around the school By June 2024, all pupils (100%) who require additional wellbeing support, can access within	Staff and pupil RRSA Gold surve Pupil wellbeing surveys — Octobe Pupil MVP surveys Department Pupil Surveys Learner Conversations Pastoral Interview Registers Glasgow Motivation and Wellberesponses Mental Health survey stats Tracking and Monitoring of our Pre and Post Support Evaluation GMWP Scores Evaluation of Headstrong Prograttainment Data Reporting Data and Comments Tracking and monitoring of Mental Reporting Data/Comments Increased GMWP scores Analysis of bullying and racist in the pupil well as the programment of the pupil well as the pu	eing Profile Merit system as amme	Promoting Positive Revised PSE programevise Whole School Community Programers and Programmers and Program	lessons to all of S1 – S3 e Relationships Policy ramme to include Headstrong ool Charter in interventions interviews planned and calendared imme (PEF support £9,440) ling, St Vincents, HomeLink portunities for staff and pupils, with ealth in support interventions required. uning to inform and support interventions tings lead by the Wellbeing Team ons as part of S1 transition support - 21-	

Ensuring staff have appropriate training to support pupils. Recognising positive impact of	school or are supported to access services outwith school. By September 2024, all new S1 pupils will have participated in MVP lessons. As a result, these pupils will have an increased awareness of the Bystander approach. By May 2023, 100% commitment from our Well Being Ambassadors By May 2024, 75% to 90% of S6 pupils will be trained as MVP mentors. By May 2024 all new staff with be trained in Nurture, Circle Inclusive classroom, Pivotal and any other whole staff training between June 2021-June 2023 By 31 May 2024, increase staff participation in GMWP from 6 to 10 members of staff. By June 2024, all staff (100%) will be trained in the use of NVR to enhance and support classroom relationships and experiences By 31 May 2024, over 90% of staff will feel more confident in using appropriate language for referrals, pastoral notes and reporting. By May 2024, all new staff have had MVP/Equally Safe training opportunities By August 2023 100% of staff trained in NVR By May 2024 two staff trained in Ms/Miss/Mrs	All departments and Attainment Team will sample reports – referenced in DM minutes Staff survey evidence PT/FHs meeting minutes DM minutes CLPL opportunities NQT support programme GMWP - Tracking profile use via DM minutes/request for training Targeted empowerment groups (Ms/Miss/Mrs) – girls	In service day & sharing effective practice time) Information packs for new staff Information packs for NQTs Trained Gryffe staff will be able to support pupils who present with mild/moderate anxiety issues (LIAM/CBT) CLPL: Wellbeing Team to facilitate updates on Nurture; Pivotal; MVP/Equally Safe, GMWT and NVR Opportunities for ASIST, Safe Talk, Self Harm, Trauma Informed Practice, MVP, GMWT training for new pastoral/ SMT who have not completed Additional training opportunities/packs for new staff and staff who miss whole school training slots due to being part time or absences or out of school on other training/duties Ms/Miss/Mrs training for certain staff Two hours CLPL NVR – August 2023 Parental Engagement – Wellbeing Evening – September
parental involvement and engagement in supporting ethos, wellbeing, attainment and achievement.	have responded positively to our parental survey questions with a particular focus on awareness of our Ready, Respectful, Safe approach (behaviour blueprint) (2022/23 survey only 41% said they were aware of this)	1 dichai suivey	2023 Website/newsletter/Satchel One

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	Opportuni Reduce inequalities and delivering improve	ties for Personal Achievement	r children and young n	eon e
HGIOS QIs	NIF Prioritie		r children and young po	NIF Drivers
1.1, 2.3, 3.2, 3.3	Placing the human rights and needs of every child and young person at the centre of 1. School Leadership			
1.1, 2.3, 3.2, 3.3	education			
	Closing the attainment gap between the most and least a young people	advantaged children and	Teacher Professionalism 5. School Improvement	
	Improvement in skills and sustained, positive school-leave	ver destinations for all young		
	people	, G	Parental Engager	nent 6. Performance Information
Rationale for change	Outcome and Expected Impact	Measures		Intervention
We recognise the importance of	All staff are familiar with ASN Pupil Support	DM Minutes / staff survey		Project Leader Achievements
building on our system for	list, pupils with FME, SIMD 1-4, Care	InService Day/Effective Practice	Presentations and	Achievements Working Group
tracking and monitoring of pupil	Experienced targeted pupils and ensure that	tasks		Electronic tracking system for pupil
achievement, including	within the classroom all pupils regardless of	FH/PT collegiate discussion time	and feedback	achievement
appropriate interventions where	social background or learning needs are	Pupil surveys and focus groups		Sfl spreadsheets
necessary, to ensure equity for all.	provided with same opportunities to succeed	Achievements data and intervent	ions	Project Leader: Pupil Equity and Participation—
		Increase in Saltire Hours		interventions and entitlements (PEF £1,500)
	By May 2024, 75%-90% staff have issued a	Increase in Electronic tokens issu		Pupil Equity and Participation Working Group
	minimum of 5 tokens per week	Promotion of pupil achievement via social media		
				Cost of the school day:
	By May 2024, 75%-90% of all pupils should			Instrumental lessons / D of E / Activities Week /
	been recognised through the Achievements	Roll out of My World of Work		Active 8 / School Clubs / Breakfast and Lunch
	system with a minimum of 2 tokens	Newsletter		clubs/Calculators, stationery, study packs/
		Awards Ceremony	7 1.1	School trip/events subsidy/Uniform items
	Our targeted group of pupils (care experienced,	Subject Ambassadors across all F	raculties	(PEF support £2,300)
	those impacted by poverty, young carers &			Activities Week Working Group
	those with ASNs) have the same opportunities	Monthly Standing item on DM as Annual Reviews	genda	Revised Pupil Profiling Booklet (Pupil Learning
	to participate beyond the curriculum	Evaluation of Cluster Primaries S	STEM	Diary) Leadership Opportunities for pupils:
		Programme/Collaboration	5 I EIVI	Leadership Opportunities for pupils. Leadership Assessment Centre for School
	By May 2024 4 staff will have completed level	Evaluation and impact of Care Ex	vnerienced lessons	Captains
	2 Who Cares Scotland Training	Evaluation and impact of Young		Weekly Pupil Management Meetings
	2 Who cares sectioned framing	Evaluation of Activities Week	Carers 7 assembnes	Weekly House Captain Meetings
	Wider achievement opportunities – DofE	Minutes from Pupil Management	t Group	House Events and House Week
	Maintain at least a 3% involvement of care	Minutes from House Captains Mo		Weekly Wellbeing Ambassador Meetings
	experienced pupils as this is representative of	Minutes from Pupil Council	0	Subject Ambassadors training/expectations
	our whole school role	Minutes and events from: Citizen	nship Committee,	Pupils and staff committees: Citizenship, ECO
		ECO Committee and Equalities C		and Equalities
	By May 2024, 90% - 99% of pupils in BGE will		•	We will continue to have a focus on extra-
	have tracked their progress, skills and			curricular activities and clubs ensuring all pupils
	achievements using new pupil profiles.			(care experienced, those impacted by poverty,

	Interdisciplinary Support high numbers of our young people to enter positive		and sustained post-school	destinations
HGIOS QIs 1.1, 2.6, 3.3	NIF Priorities Placing the human rights and needs of every child and young person at the centre of education Improvement in skills and sustained, positive school-leaver destinations for all young people		School Leadershi Teacher Profession Parental Engager	onalism 5. School Improvement
Rationale for change	Outcome and Expected Impact		Measures	Intervention
We recognise the importance of parental engagement to support learning and achievements We recognise the importance of partnership working including virtual partners. We recognise importance of maintaining and developing our digital learning skills.	By May 2024, over 90% of parents/carers within S1 – S6 have accessed year group padlets to support engagement in their child's learning. By May 2024, the identified group of 133 pupils will achieve the Scottish Studies Wider Achievement Award. This will be an increase of 29% from the previous presentation. 100% of S1 pupils will be registered on My World of Work by September 2023 which will help build career management skills and discover what careers match pupil skills, interests, education, and experience. My World of Work platform will be used by 100% S3 for profiling by June 2024. explore their interests and strengths using the online tools. By May 2024, Increase employability qualifications for pupils at risk of a negative destination to ensure 100% of pupils achieve a positive destination Re-introduce My World of Work Ambassadors to promote career education with parents and pupils. Embed Career Education Standards by May 2025	Presentation: FH/PT collegiedback Hard copy or Positive Des Pupil Voice SEEMIS 16-SDS Partner UCAS Desti Curricular (starting Career Education of Partner Voice) Tracking via Parental Surrivolve experification of FH/PT collegiedback Recording partner Partner Voice (LA plate) Rubi (LA plate)	ay/Effective Practice s and tasks giate discussion time and f Pupil Learning Diary tinations Audit Data ship nations Data ubject) promotion of ations Parental engagement dept padlets / MS forms vey ence data analysis dies return / analysis of pupils pass giate discussion time and	Parental engagement padlets including DYW S2 One to One SDS careers interview S1-6 SDS Career Group Work input by SDS Enhanced Service Offer via Matrix data PL Employability Tracking, Monitoring and Interventions (Additional DYW Scottish Government Funding) My World of Work Ambassadors to promote career education with parents and pupils C Marshall (DYW) – targeted interventions, including works experience placements, for S4 and S5 Winter Leavers and those at risk of a negative destination Increase opportunities for 3 day work experience for those pupils identified through our destination audit at risk of a negative destination Increase work with partner agencies to improve sustained destinations – LA link D Conway: CSCS card training. Presentation to staff On Career Education Standards - what this means and how to bring it into class lessons

	Project Leader STEM

Career Long Professional Learning Develop high quality leadership for staff at all levels					
HGIOS QIs	NIF Priorities			NIF Drivers	
1.2	Placing the human rights and needs of every child and	young person at the centre of education	1.	School Leadership	4. Assessment of Children's Progress
	Improvement in children and young people's health and wellbeing Closing the attainment gap between the most and least advantaged children and young people Improvement in skills and sustained, positive school-leaver destinations for all young people		2.	Teacher Professionalism	5. School Improvement
	Improvement in attainment, particularly in literacy and r		3.	Parental Engagement	6. Performance Information
Rationale for change	Outcome and Expected Impact Measures		Intervention		
We recognise the increased	By May 2024 staff evaluations	PRDs	Continue	to support and provide staff	with their Professional development -
importance of facilitating regular	demonstrate increased practitioner	CLPL	SQA Ma	rkers, SQA Examining Team,	, LA Working Groups and Forums,
professional dialogue and	*		GTCS		
leadership opportunities for all	-	InService Day/Effective			
staff.	By May 2024 100% of Senior Leaders	Practice Presentations and	Leadersh	ip opportunities in areas such	as:
	have engaged with a weekly programme	tasks	Moderati	on	
To support staff to plan and	of collaboration to support a consistent	Uptake of leadership	Fair Trad	le, RRSA, Citizenship, ECO	
undertake professional learning to	approach to L&T	opportunities and evaluation	Activities	s Week	
fulfil the GTCs requirements and		of impact	MVP/ES	AS	
that of the Local Authority	By May 2024, 100% of staff have	SIP Working	Parental	Engagement	
Agreement of 35 contractual	engaged with revised and agreed	Groups/Committees: Progress	Wellbein	g	
	Working Groups:	and Impact	SfL- Dys	lexia	

hours out with the 35 hour	Wellbeing	Weekly Senior Leadership:	Collaboration with Cluster Primaries: Literacy, Numeracy, STEM and Spanish
working week	Learning and Teaching	L&T Group	Website
	Achievements	_	NQTs and Students
	Pupil Equity and Participation		
	Activities		To support SIP:
			7 Project Leader roles for 2023-2024
	The impact of this: We take forward		Attainment
	school SIP priorities in a manageable and		Achievements
	collegiate manner		Equity and Inclusion
			Learning and Teaching
	By May 2024, 100% of staff will have		Communications
	engaged in PRD with identified links to		STEM
	both curriculum and whole school		DYW/Employability
	improvement		
			By May 2024 all teaching staff and ASNAs – Circle trained
			By May 2024 all teaching staff and ASNAs NVR trained
			Promotion of LA monthly Health and Wellbeing Newsletter
			By May 2024, 100% of FT ASNAs trained in: CIRCLE Inclusive Classroom
			Accelerated Reading Programme, SEAL Maths, NVR & GMWT