

Dear Learners, Parents and Carers,

Over the session 2007/8 a group of staff from English & Gaelic Medium classes from Portree High School and feeder Primary Schools (ASG) have been meeting regularly to work on a Transition Project in Mathematics.

The targets of the project were as follows:

1. *To develop improved shared planning and transition from P7 to S1 in mathematics.*
2. *To develop a means of sharing helpful information about pupil progress.*
3. *To support continuity, progression, pace and challenge in mathematics from P7 to S1.*
4. *To raise shared awareness of teaching of mathematics in both primary and secondary schools.*
5. *To include children's views during this process.*

We hope that you will find the information useful. Please contact your school if you require more information.

TARGET 1

To develop collaborative planning to improve transition in mathematics

- ❖ All schools will follow an agreed order of mathematical topics within each level at the P7 stage.
- ❖ From August 2008 the Maths Department at Portree High School will make use of this information to plan the learning of S1 pupils.
- ❖ Parents can access the order of topics via the following link:

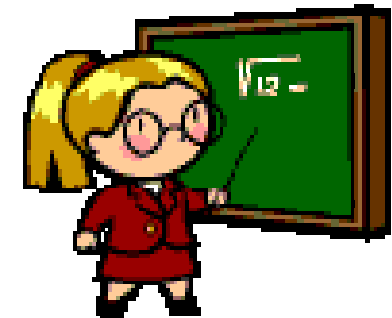
<http://www.hvlc.org.uk/ace/transition.htm>



TARGET 2

To develop means of sharing information about pupil progress and transition

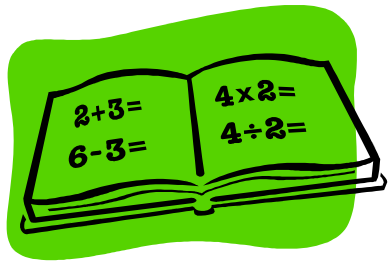
- ❖ The order of topics will form the basis of a record of progress.
- ❖ The document will contain information on pupils' progress through the agreed mathematical topic order.
- ❖ Included will be information on the individual pupil's next steps.



TARGET 3

To improve continuity, progression, pace and challenge in mathematics

- ❖ All P7 pupils be given a new maths jotter at the beginning of Term 4. This will accompany them to the High School. They will continue to use this jotter in Term 1 of their first year.
- ❖ This will give High School teachers an insight into the pupil's most recent work.
- ❖ This should support better continuity and progression for P7 pupils into S1.



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TARGET 4

To raise shared awareness of teaching of mathematics in both primary and secondary sectors

- ❖ A programme of liaison visits has been established between the feeder primaries and the High School.
- ❖ Primary 7 Teachers visited 1st Year maths classes during Term 3.
- ❖ High School Maths teachers will visit a selection of primary schools during Term 4 and will have visited all feeder primaries by the end of session 2009.
- ❖ This should support a shared awareness of how maths is taught in both P7 and S1.



A Guide for
Learners/Parents/Carers

Portree High School
Associated School Group

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