Primary 5 Newsletter

Dear Parent / Guardian,

Welcome back to another busy term at Fernielea School!

**Inter-Disciplinary Learning (IDL)**

Our class focus this term will be Scotland. We will be developing our mapping skills, learning about famous Scottish artists, re-creating their work and developing our knowledge of the Highland Clearances. We will learn what life was like during this time and compare it to life now.

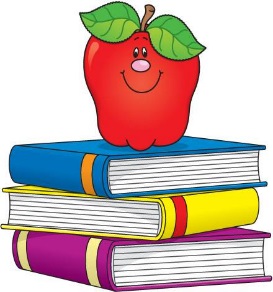
**Numeracy, Maths and Language**

This term, we will begin with focusing on time in Maths.  We will develop our knowledge of 12 hour and 24-hour time, reading timetables and timing events. We will then learn about multiples and factors.

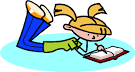
The class will also use ‘Big Maths’ throughout the week to improve mental calculations.

In Language, we will be developing the skill of letter writing. We will learn how to set out a letter correctly, using the correct opening and closing term and using relevant information. We will also learn how to use persuasive language in our writing.

Our class novel this term will be ‘Billionaire Boy’ by David Walliams. We will be learning different comprehension strategies including making inferences, finding the main ideas and sequencing.

 **Reading and Communication**

Reading will be set weekly. Alongside the reading to be completed at home, some pupils will receive a reading activity to be completed to show the understanding of what has been read. The reading diaries sent home each week can act as a communication link between school and home.  Please check them regularly for notes or comments left by myself.  I will also check these frequently to ensure any questions or comments you need me see will be recognised and responded to.

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Homework will be handed out on a Monday and will be collected in on the Thursday morning every week.  Homework will consist of a spelling activity and a maths task. There will also be topic related homework this term. Remember, if you or your child has any queries about the homework, just ask!

**Specialist Timetable**

Monday- PE- Mrs Stephen

Tuesday- STEM- Miss Petrie

Friday – PE- Mrs Webster

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We have an allocated slot in the Library every Friday.

As mentioned earlier, if you have any questions, queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to write a note or contact the school office to arrange a meeting with myself.

 Kind regards,

 Mrs Stephen and Primary 5