Dear Parents P6P Newsletter – August 2017

A huge welcome to you all from myself, Miss Petrie who will be teaching the class this year.

Firstly, this term, in our class, the children will be supported by Mrs Rhodie and Mrs Valentine.

Our class topic this term will be a book study, “Kensuke’s Kingdom” by Michael Morpurgo. As the book is set in Japan, we will be looking at Japanese customs such as the Japanese language, traditional costume, festivals, natural disasters and much more.

This term in reading and spelling, the children will follow the Active Literacy Programme alongside the Reflective Reading strategies which will improve their skills in understanding of a text. Furthermore, they will continue to follow the Big Write Programme which allows children to focus on up levelling writing by using vocabulary, connectives, openers and punctuation.

In maths, we will be focussing on number. Some groups will be working on addition, subtraction, division and multiplying to begin with then moving onto symmetry. The children will continue to follow the “Big Maths” programme which improves their mental calculations. All children, each week, take part in CLIC challenges and Total Recall Challenges to improve their personal scores.

Also this term, Primary 6 will have an exciting trip to Duthie Park and the Japanese gardens to link in with our class topic. Further information about this will follow at a later date.

Here is some other information which you may find useful at the beginning of a new year.

* **Homework:** Maths and spelling homework will be given out every Monday and should be handed in on Thursday. Please could you ensure you sign each page of your child’s work. If there is any questions regarding their homework, please feel free to leave a comment in their jotter.
* **Reading:** Reading homework will be given out and heard on a Wednesday, along with a reading task for the Orange and Blue group. This will be completed in a jotter. The Green and Red group will have reading on a Wednesday, Friday and Monday. Please ensure you sign your child’s reading record.
* **Our timetable:** We have gym on a Monday and Friday. Please make sure your child has their gym kits for those days.

We will have a parents evening in September where I am looking forward to meeting you, however, if you have any queries before then, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Miss Petrie