

P4 NEWSLETTER Term 1 Teacher: Mr Templeton

Expressive Arts

This term, art, music and drama will be covered as part of our contextualised learning.

Health and Well-being

P.E will be on a Tuesday. Mrs Irvine-McLean, our P.E. specialist, will deliver P.E on Friday afternoons. Pupils from Dumfries High will also be delivering sports sessions on a Wednesday. Pupils can wear PE clothes to school on these days. Please wear/bring appropriate clothing and shoes as PE can take place outside. If your child has pierced ears, earring tape will need to be provided if your child cannot take earrings out. Throughout the year, we will be participating in the Daily Mile in all weather so waterproof clothing will be required on wet days.

This term we will be focussing on our school rules ensuring we are creating a happy, safe environment in which everyone feels respected and included. This will look at emotional wellbeing and revisit the SHANARRI indicators and the UN Rights of the child.

ICT

This term we will be developing our knowledge of internet safety through Class Dojo. This will look at keeping ourselves and our data safe when online. We will also be creating our own animations using different hardware and software. Our other focus will be revisiting our functional skills on the computer.

Topic

Our first focus this term will be 'The Rights of the Child' and Friendships. We will be setting our class rules and learning about our Rights.

Throughout the term, we will learning about Castles and as a class will read a range of stories. We will use these stories to develop our reading and comprehension skills.

Our other topics this term will be sound vibrations and the water experiments. We will link these to our play sessions throughout the term and carry out a variety of experiments.

CASTLES SOUND VIBRATIONS

DRIP DROP SPLASH

Class charter

This term we will be creating our own class charter. This will help create a positive learning environment for the children both within the class and across the whole school.

By creating a Class charter this helps the children understand and apply the UN Rights of the Child and helps create an ethos within Calside. The Children will explore and understand their own responsibility for their rights and also the rights of others. This will help build and create relationships, participation, wellbeing and self-esteem. Our class charter will make sure our class is a happy, supportive and safe place to learn!

Literacy

This term we will focus on our listening skills to help us follow instructions.

We will work on developing our spelling strategies and using spelling patterns in our writing. We will also be working on our presentation skills by learning letter formations.

As a class, we will be focusing on a wide range of reading skills.

During reading and writing our focus will be recount and descriptive texts. We will be developing our skills at recalling information and sharing our ideas with others.

Maths

This term we will be working on place value and learning to order, count and sequence numbers. We will be developing our mental strategies with a focus on addition and subtraction. We will also be learning how to estimate and round given numbers.

For our topic maths we will be looking at a variety of 2D and 3D shapes.

If you would like to volunteer to help take reading groups, assist during ICT or help with play led tasks please e-mail us to arrange times and dates. If there are any queries you can contact myself at gw15templetonscott@ea.dumgal.sch.uk

RME

This term the children will be learning about emotions and feelings. We will look at a variety of religions and religious stories.