

## Our Learning This Term.

**Below is an outline of some of the aspects of learning your child will take part in this term.**

**Language and Literacy** – In writing, our block focus will be procedure and report writing. There will be a focus on handwriting, sentence structure and paragraphs for all pupils. Our grammar focus this term will be, metaphors, idioms and hyperboles. Spelling will continue to be taught weekly, with a spelling test on a Monday afternoon. Heathhall Spelling Programme words will continue to be tested once per fortnight, these are really important words and will benefit your child's writing. **Your child must bring their words in on the days that have been identified, or they will not be tested for another fortnight.** In term 4, all pupils in Primary 6 will plan and deliver a presentation to the class on a country of their choice that is taking part in the Euros.

**Maths and Numeracy** - I can create and complete symmetrical patterns and pictures with 2 or more lines of symmetry with and without the use of digital technologies. I can create symmetrical patterns with a diagonal line of symmetry. I can construct a variety of 3D shapes from prepared nets. I can construct 3D objects replicating a diagram or image. I can draw the net and construct a 3D model of a cube, cuboid and other shapes. Continued revision of the 4 processes, including decimals.

**Health and Well Being** - Introduction of hockey skills with Miss Hunter, athletics practise with Mr Sharp. Continue with My World of Work website for updating profiles ready for Primary 7. How to keep safe out and about, basic CPR skills (with hopefully a visit from NHS Dumfries and Galloway).

**Digital Learning Experiences** - All homework is issued on TEAMS. It is essential that pupils can access TEAMS at home, this is good practise for Primary 7 and secondary school.

**Expressive Arts** - Linked to fashion revelation week, pupils will design their own fashion and market their own fashion brand.

**Global Citizenship** -- Fashion Revolution Week 18.4.24 -24.4.24, Earth Day 22.4.24, World Red Cross Day 8.5.24, World Environment Day 5.6.24, World Oceans Day 8.6.24 RRS running throughout the year. Football World Cup - June 2024 (linked to literacy).

**Interdisciplinary Learning** - Special places and artefacts within Christianity. Miss Hunter will be delivering a Geography based unit of work, focusing on map work, countries and capital cities.

**Rights Respecting Schools** - We will continue working on our Rights, Respecting Schools.

**Young Sports Leaders** - Mr John Allison, Nithsdale Active Schools, will be in for 3 weeks on a Thursday morning to deliver leadership skills to all Primary 6's. This will allow P6 pupils to work with younger children on sporting activities for transition. P6 pupils will work with nursery pupils in term 4 on games.



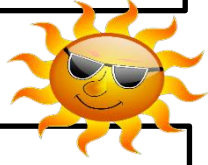
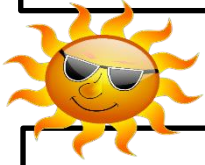
## Updated Homework Policy

All Parents/Guardians should now have access to our updated Homework Policy. Please read this carefully. Homework will be issued on a **Tuesday for the following Monday**. A spelling test will be undertaken on a **Monday afternoon**. Homework will be issued via Teams, therefore, it is vital that your child can access Teams at home.

If you have any questions re: homework, please contact me directly and not on the Teams page. Your help in this matter is appreciated.

# Summer Newsletter - Primary 6

Welcome back to term 4. We have many busy weeks ahead of us. Primary 6 pupils will begin to take on extra responsibilities in and around the school. It's an exciting term as it is their last in Primary 6. Miss Hunter will continue to be on placement with us for another 7 weeks. Miss Hunter will be teaching more of the time in Primary 6, pupils learning will be planned carefully with myself, ensuring progression for all pupils.



## Homework

All homework will be issued on Teams on a Tuesday morning, with the expectation that it is submitted the following Monday. Spelling is expected to be submitted via Teams, which I will set as an assignment. Homework will be given once all assessments have been carried out. For the most part, homework will look like the following:

- **Spelling** - Your child will receive an individual spelling list which will be assessed once per fortnight in class. Most children will also receive 10 phonics spelling words per week. These will be assessed in class on a Friday.
- **Reading** - Your child will either be allocated a hard copy of a reading book or allocate a reading book on EPIC. The class code is **ety9440**. The book allocated will be at your child's level. Most books have a reading for understanding at the end which your child must complete.
- **Maths** - Maths homework this year will take place via Sumdog. We are currently working our way through the diagnostic assessments. Once these have been completed, I will assign tasks for your child. Like reading, tasks will be given once per fortnight.
- **From time to time, pupils may get an extended piece of homework on a context.** Plenty of time will be given to complete this task and all other homework will be tailored back during this time.

**Please contact me directly using my e-mail address, rather than post in Teams. I would like the Teams page to be purely for the pupils to use. My email address is:**  
[gw10hannaylyndsey@ea.dumgal.sch.uk](mailto:gw10hannaylyndsey@ea.dumgal.sch.uk)

## Specialist

Our specialist for the year is Mr Sharp. His subject is PE and will be delivering experiences and outcomes from his curricular area to pupils throughout the school. Pupils will work with Mr Sharp who will deliver their PE entitlement as well as linking in with literacy and numeracy activities

**Please ensure your son/daughter comes to school prepared for the weather.** We have an all-weather MUGA, so there will be times when pupils will be out in inclement weather.

Our days for PE is a **Tuesday from 11.00-12.30 and a Thursday from 9.00-9.45**. On this day, pupils are expected to bring a school PE kit to school. Jewellery should not be worn and long hair should be tied back for health and safety reasons. If your child has stud earrings in, tape should be provided or your child can ask me and I will give them some.

**Library Visit - P6 will be visiting the library this term. Date will follow.**



## Home-School Communication

In previous years, class teachers may have used home-to-school diaries; however, your son/daughter is now in Primary 6 and not too far away from beginning their secondary journey. Therefore, I feel it is good practise to get them used to managing their time more independently of me. Therefore, I am encouraging your child to use their own diary at home, or even a weekly wall planner. I am more than happy to provide a template for this. Please let me know and I will get one to you.

## Our Daily Routine

Pupils when entering the classroom are asked to change into their indoor shoes. Once they have done this, they are asked to wash their hands with soap and water at the sink area. Throughout the day, your child can sanitize their hands using their own bacterial gel or have access to the sink area. When pupils cough or sneeze, they are asked to again wash their hands with soap and water.

**With the weather getting warmer and hopefully more sun, pupils should bring Sun cream to school for really hot days. Sun hats are advised for those pupils who burn easily. Sun cream will not be allowed to be shared between pupils, due to allergies**

Skills Academy - will take place on a **Wednesday**. This will be covered by various staff members, depending on the activity taking place. Primary 6's focus this term will be Technological Art with Mrs Brown and Solar Systems with Mr Kerr.

**We are having an open morning on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May. We look forward to seeing you, if you are able to make it during this time, 9.45-10.30.**