

# Primary 6 Newsletter Term 1

Welcome to Primary 6, we hope everyone enjoyed their summer break and are ready for the year ahead. It has been lovely to see all the children back in school and they all seem enthusiastic to learn. Please have a read of this newsletter and get in touch if you have any questions or concerns.  
Mrs Boyd & Mrs Kirkpatrick



## Communication

If you wish to contact us please phone the school and we will phone back as soon as we can or send us an email. Mrs Boyd can be contacted on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday and Mrs Kirkpatrick on a Thursday. Our email addresses are -

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## P6 Expectations

Our main expectation is that your child is ready to learn and always tries their best. If there are any issues it is important that you make us aware of these. Your child should come to school each day ready to learn. They will need...

- a full water bottle
- indoor shoes
- PE kit on PE days
- a waterproof jacket and MUGA trousers if required for the pitch/MUGA on wet days



## PE Days

This term we will have PE with Mr Sharp on a **Monday** before lunch and on a **Thursday** afternoon with Mrs Kirkpatrick. Pupils should bring their PE kit with them to school on these days.



## Class Charter

We are on our journey to becoming a Gold Rights Respecting School. The pupils created their charter around a crocs theme, because our class totally crocs! P4 and P6 will be leading the school on our RRS journey.

Our Class Charter will be displayed in class and we look forward to sharing a photo on the school blog. The Articles the children chose as the most relevant to our class are...



Article 2 - All children have these rights, no matter who they are or what they look like.

Article 12 - You have the right to give your opinion, and for adults to listen and take it seriously.

Article 28 - You have the right to a good quality education. You should be encouraged to go to school to the highest level you can.

Article 29 - Your education should help you to use and develop your talents and abilities. It should also help you learn to live peacefully, protect the environment and respect other people.

Article 31 - You have the right to play and relax.

## Wider Achievements

A template for the certificate can be found on the school Blog for your child to create a wider achievement certificate at home. This can then be emailed to us or printed at home. This can also be printed in school and presented at assembly.



## Lunches



School lunches should be ordered online in advance. A copy of the menu can be found at

<https://www.dumgal.gov.uk/schoolmenus> Please



make use of the ipayimpact app to order and pay for lunches. Below is the link to order

<https://www.ipayimpact.co.uk/IPI/Account/LogOn>

## Extra Information

**Open Afternoon** - Tuesday 2nd September 2.15-2.45pm

The theme is Zones of Regulation.

**Maths Week Scotland** - 22nd - 28th September. We will celebrate Maths Week Scotland in class through a variety of maths based activities.

**PPT Talk time** - week beginning 6<sup>th</sup> October.



## Leadership Roles

All pupils in P6 have been invited to apply for one of our leadership roles (Pupil Councillor, Go Green Group, Sports Committee). We will hear speeches and have a class vote week beginning 1<sup>st</sup> September.



### Literacy

During work in Literacy we will be developing reading comprehension skills. The children will be reading a shared class novel. We will focus on comprehension strategies. In written work children will be extending their use of descriptive vocabulary. We will also be focussing on the features of report writing. The children will be given new spelling words each week and these will be practised using a variety of active tasks. The children should also practise these words at home each week. Weekly spelling lists will be issued on Teams every Tuesday. More information on homework will follow.



### Maths and Numeracy

During Numeracy work we will be focusing on Place Value and number systems. We will also be working on addition and subtraction strategies and reinforcing our times table facts.

Within Maths we will be looking at aspects of measure.



We will be continuing with the use of Sumdog both in class and as homework.

### Health and Wellbeing (H&WB)

P.E will be on a **Monday and Thursday**.

Children should bring their PE kit on these days to change in to. Mr Sharp will focus on basketball and Mrs Kirkpatrick will work with the class on possession games.



Our Wellbeing focus this term is 'Respected' where we will look at respecting ourselves and others. In Health and Wellbeing we will discuss the effect that a range of substances including tobacco and alcohol can have on the body.

### Zones of Regulation

The whole school has begun using Zones of Regulation as a way to support everyone to understand their emotions. We have discussed a toolkit to help us get to the green zone to help us be ready to learn.

This will be displayed in class.



### Other Curricular Areas

Within Digital Literacy we will be looking at the need for secure passwords and being safe on the internet. We will also be making use of Adobe Express through a variety of contexts.



In IDL our focus this term will be lead by the pupils. We have already began some discussions about what they would like to learn this term.

In French we will be revising previous learning and continue building fluency. We will also be learning to count to 100 in French.



In Art we will be using different techniques, including collage, to create pieces of art.



### Homework

We have set up a class Teams page which will be used to issue homework and any reminders for pupils. Homework will be issued each week on a Tuesday and a reminder will be posted on Teams.

- Spelling - new spelling lists will be issued on a Tuesday on our class Teams page. These words should be practised at home using suggested activities and children will complete a spelling check in class on a Monday.
- Numeracy/Maths - Numeracy/Maths homework will be set fortnightly. This will alternate between Sumdog and a written task.
- Reading - Children will continue to bring home an Accelerated Reader book or a familiar reading book. A reading grid will be sent home each term and children can choose activities to complete using their book.



More information about homework will be sent home in due course, along with a timetable of what homework will be issued when.