

Primary 4 Class Newsletter

Term 3 2023

Pupils have shared a skill they developed during Term 2....

- "I learnt how to use the jumping strategy when adding in maths". Ayda
- "I used doubles to help me add sums". Bruce
- "I worked on passing the ball in football" Kory
- "I learnt how to sing out loud so that people could hear me in the Christmas Show." Thomas
- "I enjoyed the atlas work we did during our World Cup topic". James
- "I found out more about my wonderful, new school." Nancy
- "I used the computer to find out facts about Portugal." David
- "I learnt lots of new maths adding strategies." Lily
- "I found out how to use the compensation strategy in maths." Ellie
- Using technology to research countries." Anna

Our Term 3 Focus

Our IDL Topic this term is Victorian Scotland. We will be finding out about Queen Victoria and what Scotland was like during her reign. We will also be exploring what inventions were created during the Victorian era, what life was like for the rich and poor, and what school life was like, with the hope of having a Victorian school day in our class! Children will be given the opportunity to present their learning by creating a Victorian style board game. In RME our topic is 'What is a church?' and in Art and Design we will be creating our own Scottish art work. Our focus in P.E is Scottish country dance and we are continuing to explore growth mindset in Health and Wellbeing. Children will be learning greetings, days of the week and school instructions in French.

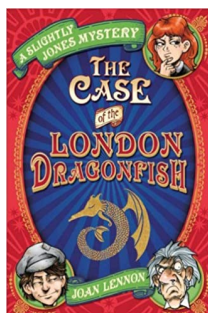
In numeracy, we are continuing our focus on addition and subtraction skills, aiming to develop a range of strategies to help us solve various number and word problems. We will be using a variety of written and hands on strategies, including understanding how to follow and use a textbook. Miss Bingham will be moving onto measurement in Maths.

In writing we are focusing on explanation and procedure and will be writing our own recipe's for a Burns Supper and instructions to create our own Victorian invention. We are also continuing to develop our confidence in using describing bubbles when writing. Through literacy rotations, we will be working on a range of grammar, comprehension and spelling tasks, as well as learning new spelling patterns. We will also be exploring Scots language and texts, including our chosen Scots poems.

READING FOCUS

Our class novel this term is *The Case of the London Dragonfish* by Joan Lennon. This mystery novel will lead us to specifically explore our prediction and analysing skills.

P4 will continue to make weekly visits on a Thursday to the school library, as well as being involved with teacher led reading activities, paired reading with others in our class and reading for enjoyment.



IMPORTANT TO KNOW

P4 will be attending swimming at the Ryan Centre for the first three weeks of term on Mon, Tues and Thu. Miss Bingham will continue to teach the class on Tuesday's, with Miss McCulloch teaching Mon, Wed, Thu and Fri. Core P.E will be on Thursday afternoon's (please ensure P.E kits are worn on Thursday's). Blue homework diaries and jotters will be sent home on Tuesday's. Please can these be brought back to school on the following Monday. Thank you!

Key Dates:

Fri 3rd March—World Book Day Dress Up TBC
Fri 17th March - Red Nose Day