

Primary 4 Class Newsletter

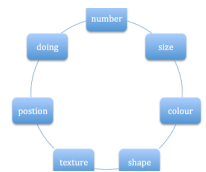
Term 1 2023

Here is what the pupils are looking forward to this year....

- Harper- 'I am looking forward to swimming, the P4 last year done it.'
- Myles- 'Going places maybe.'
- Alli- 'School trip, I wonder where we are going.'
- Ross- 'School trip.'
- Elliot- 'Going on our school trip and having special days.'
- Callum- 'Looking forward to the school trip and maybe disco dance, I liked that last year.'
- Georgie- 'Having a nice teacher' and 'having a happy year.'
- Arran- 'Swimming.'
- Oscar- 'Times tables, I like them.'
- Lily- 'Have more friends and learn so I can be smart.'

Our Term 1 Focus

Literacy- In terms of writing, we are going to begin focusing on descriptive writing. When describing characters or objects, we are looking at seven main description bubbles. These are; colour, size, shape, texture, position, doing and number. Children will continue to work their way through the jolly grammar spelling patterns. Grammar will also be covered with Mrs Gratton.



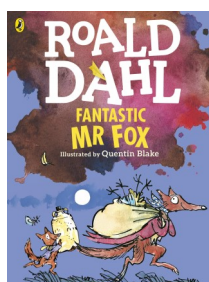
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Numeracy- Initially, we have been focusing on number word sequences and numerals. We spent some time on < > symbols and the children have really grasped this concept. Moving on, time will be spent on place value and what a digit represents within a number. The headings hundreds, tens and ones are used to describe a digit's worth in class. Time will be spent highlighting the importance of a zero with a number and what value this holds. Mrs Gratton is going to introduce shape and Mrs Miller will cover problem solving/mental maths.

Topic- Our topic this term, along with the upper school, is 'Natural Disasters'. This is extremely relevant as there has been many news items topical to this. We are going to explore earthquakes, tsunamis, wildfires and other natural disasters.

READING FOCUS

Our class novel for the beginning of this term has been 'Fantastic Mr. Fox'. The class had a vote, and this was the winning text. The focus this session has been on questioning, both creating them and answering.



IMPORTANT TO KNOW

Weekly P.E. slots are a Tuesday after break and Friday afternoons. Additionally, homework will be sent out on a Monday and if this could be returned by the end of the week, I will look over it and it will be returned by Monday. Library slots are also a Monday so if children are finished or wish to change their books, Monday is the day to do so.

I (Miss Baillie) will be the main teacher, teaching on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Thursday the children will have Mrs Gratton. Mrs Miller is another member of staff that will take the children for a brief amount of time on a Tuesday.

Weds 6th Sept—Drop In—meet your child's teacher

Fri 15th Sept Roald Dahl Day (information in school newsletter)

Fri 29th Sept—McMillan coffee Morning

Weds 4th October Parents' Evening—Book Fair

Thurs 5th Oct—Autumn Ramble Walk