# Primary 5/6 Class Newsletter

### Term 4 2024

## Something I learned or experienced last term was...

- We learned to act more dramatically for our Scottish Opera performance
- We had fun making Viking helmets and Viking weapons using paper mâché and tools from the STEM table.
- We all found it really interesting learning about how Vikings used to live.
- It was interesting finding out all about Viking longboats and the adventures the Vikings had.
- We loved trying to think of names for Viking swords.

- Rugby with Neve was brilliant, we all learned skills needed to play rugby and it was good fun too.
- We all practised our golf swing with Stuart and learned how to putt.
- In art we loved creating a picture which showed perspective.
- During P.E. it was good working in big groups making really fancy balances and trying new jumps off of some of the apparatus.
- Performing the opera to our parents made us all very proud.

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#### **Our Term 4 Focus**

In literacy we will be working on skills for writing, allowing us to: develop sentence writing skills, using punctuation marks more effectively and more consistently and editing what we have written. In addition we will be focusing on functional writing. This will include, for example, report writing, instructions, recipes etc

In numeracy we are continuing work on fractions /decimals/percentages and times tables and will have a big push on written division. We will also revise some work on time and tackle some data handling.

#### **TOPIC**

This term our topics will be science based and will be about forces as well as chemical changes. In forces we will learn about different types of forces in more detail, how forces can change an objects speed, shape etc and investigate ways to make objects move more efficiently thinking about streamlining.

When working on chemical changes we will learn about the properties of materials and how these properties might change, what can change them, how we can tell a reaction has taken place. We will investigate irreversible and reversible changes too.



Both of these topics will be very practical involving lots of activities and experiments. Part of the topic will look at keeping safe during experiments.

#### **READING FOCUS**

This term our class book is Coraline by Neil Gaiman. Children are enjoying the creepy world of Coraline and are having to use their imagination to think about what really is happening. It gives children the opportunity to make and discuss predictions as well as making inferences based on what they have heard.

We are also continuing to work on written comprehension as a way to show an understanding of

#### **IMPORTANT TO KNOW**

P.E: with Sports Day coming up and hopefully better weather it would be handy if children bring a P.E kit every day.

Mon 6th May: May Day Holiday Weds 15th May: Drop In

Fri 24th May: Pre-Fun Day for pupils. Fri 24th May: Parent Council Fun Night

Weds 5th June: Sports Day: P4-P7 am, P1-P3 pm Weds 12th June—: Sports Day if weather poor the week before

Fri 21st June: P5/6 trip to The Highland Show (details will follow)

Mon 1st July Last Day of school

