



Happy New Year! I hope you had a lovely Christmas break with lots of time for rest and relaxation. Term 3 is already off to a busy start as pupils are working hard to learn the beginning of their Scots poem 'Oor Wullie'. Instead of New Year's resolutions, we created a positive messages chart for 2020. These are designed to give us a 'pick me up' if we ever feel down. Pupils brought them home at the end of week one. Check out our blog for a class photo of us all with our 2020 charts!

Language & Literacy

At the start of Term 3, pupils will be exploring aspects of poetry and Scots language. They will be learning and performing a Scots poem to the class as well as applying their Active Reading strategies to pieces of texts in Scots. Pupils will explore characterisation through a book study. During our study of 'This Morning I met a Whale' pupils will look in detail at the main characters and the author's use of vocabulary.



Numeracy & Mathematics

Pupils will continue to reinforce strategies and written calculations for the four number processes. P5 will be introduced to percentages and build on knowledge of fractions and equivalent fractions. We will revise the value of money, investigate how to budget and work with budgets. Through discussion we will identify the features of debit and credit cards and know how to use and keep them safely.



Health & Wellbeing

In PE this term, Primary 5 will build on their skills in a variety of sports including football and tennis. Pupils will also get the opportunity to work as a team to create a piece of creative dance and set it to music. During health lessons, pupils will take part in a five week block of Heart Start lessons which trains pupils in the use of CPR. We will also explore issues surrounding substance misuse including alcohol and tobacco.



Contexts for Learning

Pupils will begin Term 3 by continuing their learning about the Solar System. Pupils are really enjoying this topic and are still exploring the other planets within the solar system. Following on from this, pupils will learn about Scottish history through the Scottish Wars of Independence. We will place events into a timeline, explore important historical figures such as Robert the Bruce and William Wallace and become familiar with life in Scotland in the 12th and 13th Century.



Additional Information

Our PE days are a Tuesday and Thursday.

Please check P5's Glow Blog and homework diaries for regular updates.

Please don't hesitate to get in contact if there is anything you want to discuss or clarify. Thank you for your continued support! Mrs O'Neil ☺