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Termly Targets

Dunlop Primary School
Term 1 2020/2021

Literacy



Reading: We will complete a reading modelling block before moving on to another novel. "The Hodgeheg" by Dick King-Smith.

The children will learn to use our reading strategies - Prior Knowledge/Prediction, Metalinguistics, Visualisation, Inference, Main Idea and Summary to develop a deeper understanding of the story.

Writing: We will complete a writing block on the NARRATIVE genre, focusing on describing a setting and a character. The children will develop their use of descriptive language and use 'amazing adjectives' and 'smashing similes'. We will also be writing REPORTS as part of our Science Topic on 'Water'.

Grammar: We will focus on nouns, adjectives, verbs, connectives, pronouns, contractions and alliteration this term,

as well as sentence up levelling skills.

The Phonics Into Spelling Programme has 2 weeks focus on phonics then 2 weeks on spelling in rotation.

Talking and Listening: In November, the children will be asked to prepare a short speech on an animal of their choice.

French: Colours, Greetings and Café (ordering drinks and ice creams)

Spanish - (As part of our topic work on Mexico the children will learn some basic Spanish greetings and vocabulary.)

Numeracy



Complete First Level baseline assessments and focus on any areas of concern arising.

'Number Talks' Mental Maths Strategies

Numeracy - Place Value to 1,000 and beyond for some children and rounding to the nearest 100.

Odd and even numbers. Using the symbols $>$, $<$, $=$ and \neq to complete number statements.

Multiplication: Making and drawing arrays. Tables (2,5 and 10 then 3 and 4)

Grid References: describe, locate and plot locations on the point where vertical and horizontal lines meet as well as in the box. Constructing own grids.

Area: calculating the area of shapes in cm^2 and drawing regular shapes of a given area.

Measurement: Language of length and measuring accurately in m and cm using rulers, metre sticks, tape measures and trundle wheels.

The children will also develop their problem solving strategies by completing tasks reinforcing current numeracy skills.

Health & Wellbeing



P.E is on Tuesday and Thursday. During this term, the children will be developing their Hockey Skills. They will also complete a unit of work on Large Ball Skills. We will also continue to work on our own Fitness Programme using a variety of circuit activities. Hopefully in December we may still be able to learn some Scottish Country Dances too.

Daily Mile is also a huge part of developing Health and Wellbeing where the children continue to try to beat their time targets and try out different class challenges like 'Half versus Half' and 'Cat & Mouse'.

In Health 1 will be using East Ayrshire's Renewal Plan and the children will be learning about the importance of mental and emotional wellbeing. They will also be thinking about friendships and relationships, the positive things and who to talk to if they are worried or upset.

We are looking forward to the Massage Programme starting soon, encouraging relaxation and mindfulness. (Info. For parents to follow)

Social Studies/Science

This term, the children will engage in a range of experiences and activities designed to support learning in Social Studies.

Our first topic is Mexico. The children will look at

- Location
- Animals found there
- Traditions and festivals
- Items associated with this country
- Different climate areas

Our Science topic will be 'Water'. The children will learn about the Water Cycle, changing states of water, waterproofing, dissolving, refraction and chromatography. We will also look at good sanitation and Global issues.

Technologies



At present, technology is used every day to enhance teaching and learning through the Promethean Board, laptops and iPads. The children will also have the opportunity to learn to use programmes such as Teams and Sumdog to consolidate learning in class.

We will also use the laptops to explore the editing tools on Microsoft Word including font, size, colour, bold, italics and highlighter. This term we will also be using the drawing tools. The children will learn to insert images into documents and will learn to create a PowerPoint.

Throughout the term, the children will be given design challenges to tackle in a small group or individually.

Expressive Arts



Art and Design is linked to the class topics of Mexico and Water as well as seasonal activities. Activities will develop drawing skills, collage, painting and looking at the work of a famous artist - Monet.

In music, as we are currently unable to sing, we will be trying some Body Percussion rhythm work and an introduction to playing the Glockenspiel.

In Dance we will be trying a Mexican Hat Dance.