



P4



Termly Targets

Dunlop Primary School
Term 3 2020/2021

Literacy



Reading: We are moving on to a new novel. "The Invisible Boy" by Sally Gardner. The children will continue 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 INSTRUCTIONAL/PROCEDURAL genre e.g. 'The Mummification Process'. We will also be writing RECOUNTS including newspaper articles. We continue to work on NARRATIVE, focusing on descriptive language. The children will further develop their use of 'amazing adjectives' and 'smashing similes'.

Grammar: We will focus on *adverbs, pronouns, contractions, correct use of apostrophe/comma 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: As part of their topic work, the children will be asked to prepare a short speech/PowerPoint on an Egyptian God of their choice. In class they will also present a group talk on a chosen aspect of life in Ancient Egypt.

French: Cafe (ordering ice creams/drinks), Farm Animals/Pets

Numeracy



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

'Number Talks' Mental Maths Strategies

Numeracy - Continuing the division process to include remainders and use formal methods of recording when dividing 2 or 3 digit numbers.

Extend multiplication tables to include the 8x, 6x, 9x, and 7x.

Explore written methods to add and subtract 3 and 4 digit numbers.

Fractions: Introduce thirds, fifths and tenths of shapes and numbers and compare and order fractions.

Shape: Describe the properties of 3D shapes and explore tiling patterns with 2D shapes.

Probability: Idea of chance and uncertainty, making predictions.

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

Health & Wellbeing



P.E is on a Tuesday and Thursday. During this term, the children will be developing their Short Tennis Skills. They will also complete a unit of Athletics Skills. We will also continue to work on our own Fitness Programme using a variety of circuit activities.

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 'Cat & Mouse'.

In Health, the children will be learning about the importance of medicine safety. The children will also consider the issue of Internet Safety through a series of specific lessons for P4. This term the whole school will also cover the Sexual Health lessons for their stage.

I'm delighted that the East Ayrshire Massage Programme will be able to begin again soon. As the qualified trainer for our school, I will contact you very soon about this with more information. Relaxation and mindfulness are so important just now.

Social Studies/Science

This term, we will be moving on to a favourite topic - Ancient Egypt, which will cover a breadth of experiences and outcomes including Social Studies, Science, Technologies, Literacy and Expressive Arts. We are particularly looking forward to the mummification experiment!

The children are also working on a science topic 'My Body' covering the skeleton and major organs of the human body. This will lead on to the symptoms of common diseases caused by germs and how methods of preventing and treating disease benefit society.

Technologies



Technology is used daily to enhance teaching and learning through the Promethean Board, laptops and iPads. Programmes such as Teams and Sumdog consolidate learning in class. We also use 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 and text boxes into documents and will create PowerPoints.

This term our home link challenge will be making a 'Shaduf' as part of our Ancient Egypt topic.

Expressive Arts



Art and Design is linked to the class topic Ancient Egyptians as well as seasonal activities. Activities will develop drawing skills, collage, painting, printing and 3D work with clay and paper mache.

Music: I miss singing so much with the children and hope this directive changes soon. In the meantime I hope to try some basic lessons on glockenspiels which should be fun!

In Drama/Dance we will be trying an Egyptian Sand Dance and some performance ideas from my resource called 'The Ancient Egyptians'.