



P4



Termly Targets

Dunlop Primary School
Term 1 2023/2024

Literacy



Reading: We will complete a reading modelling block before moving on to another novel.

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 develop our VCOP skills to complete a writing block on NARRATIVE. The children will develop their use of descriptive language and use 'amazing adjectives' and 'smashing similes'. We will also be writing INSTRUCTIONS as part of our 'Ancient Egyptians' topic.

Grammar: We will focus on nouns, adjectives, verbs, connectives, pronouns, contractions and alliteration this term as well as sentence structure and up levelling skills using VCOP. The Phonics Into Spelling Programme has 2 weeks focus on phonics then 2 weeks on spelling in rotation.

Talking and Listening: Group presentations from IDL work on Life In Ancient Egypt. In November, the children will be asked to prepare a short speech on an animal of their choice.

Numeracy



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

'Number Talks' Mental Maths Strategies

Numeracy – Place Value to 1,000 and beyond for some children. Rounding to the nearest 10/100. Odd and even numbers. Use the symbols $>$, $<$, $=$, \neq to complete number statements.

Multiplication tables and the division process including formal methods of recording when dividing 2 or 3 digit numbers.

Addition and Subtraction methods (mental and formal)

Grid References at the point of intersecting lines.

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 Wednesday. During this term, the children will be developing their ball handling and games skills. This will begin with a block of lessons on Unihoc skills. We will also be following our own Fitness Programme using a variety of circuit activities this term. In December, we will be learning some new Scottish Country Dances too.

Children will regularly take part in their 'Daily Mile' to develop fitness levels. The children continue to try to beat their personal targets. Sometimes this is a 'Walk & Talk' to discuss our learning.

In Health, the children will be consolidating their knowledge of their Rights and designing 'Our Class Charter'. We will be looking at positive relationships and the importance of mental and emotional wellbeing.

The children will also be covering the P4 Internet Safety lessons.

Our Massage Programme will be established encouraging relaxation and mindfulness.

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 mini topic is Mexico. The children will look at

- Location
- Unusual creatures
- Things Mexico is famous for
- Some simple Spanish
- Traditions and celebrations

Our History Topic will be a favourite: 'Ancient Egypt'. It 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.



Technologies



At present, technology is used every day to enhance teaching and learning through the Promethean Board, laptops and iPads. Pupils will use Learning Journals regularly to share their learning with grown ups at home. The children will also have the opportunity 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 Ancient Egypt as well as seasonal activities. Activities will develop drawing and patterning skills, collage, painting and looking at the work of a famous artist. We will be completing a painting block where the children will develop their understanding of tints and shades.

In music, we will be working on the Charanga online resource for P4 and the "Sounds of Music" Programme as well as learning songs for Harvest and Christmas time.

NCCT – with Miss White

Maths - Beyond Number - Properties of 2D and 3D shape and Length and Perimeter
Digital - Using Microsoft Teams, iPad apps including Apple Clips
French - Greetings/Goodbye/Numbers to 30/the alphabet