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**Literacy**

**Reading and Spelling**

We will continue to use the Active Literacy programme to develop our phoneme and common word knowledge. We will explore a variety of strategies to support and challenge our knowledge and skills.

Our novel this term is ‘The Wilderness War” by Julia Green. We will focus on answering and creating different types of questions - inferential, literal and evaluative during Reciprocal Reading Activities and using outdoor learning opportunities throughout.

**Writing**

The children will continue to engage in Big Writing VCOP activities to develop their writing skills. The class will develop these skills through focusing on, imaginative writing. We will also use our class novel for a wide variety of functional writing opportunities.

**Listening & Talking**

Pupils will develop their listening and talking skills through watching information clips and news articles on line. They will learn to take notes and summarise what they have watched/ learned, including watching and discussing news items on BBC Newsround.

We have daily morning activities that focus on sharing ideas and thoughts through discussion.

**Health and Wellbeing**

During PE this term we are focussing on ball skills with Mrs Conetta. We are also excited to announce that we will be taking part in a 10 week skiing block at Newmilns Outdoor Ski Centre – more details to follow! **Our PE days will be a Monday, and Tuesday, your child can wear their PE kit to school on those days ( no jewellery)**

We will use our school PATHS resource to learn about emotional well-being and will also be carrying out various lessons and activities based on Mindfulness, focussing on social and emotional learning using PATHS, Headspace and Rights Respecting Schools resources and Massage in Schools Programme.

We will continue to focus on Internet Safety and the importance of being kind online, not sharing personal information and what to do if you feel unsafe online.

This term we will be exploring Relationships, Sexual Health and Relationships lessons. Please look at the school app with a letter specific to this topic.

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Welcome to Primary 5/6. We are excited to be back at school and working together as a new class. Mrs Conetta will be in class on Tuesday covering NCCT, she is looking forward to teaching French, PE HWB and Maths (Shape) this term.

We will update our **class blog** regularly so please have a look to see what we have been up to and for any class news / timetable changes!

As we will be taking our learning outside please ensure your child has appropriate outdoor clothing for outdoor learning.

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**How you can help support your child at home…**

[www.sumdog.com](http://www.sumdog.com)

<https://www.nationalgeographic.com/>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary>

**Numeracy and Maths**

We will continue to develop our numeracy skills through daily Number Talks revising and learning new strategies to support addition, subtraction, multiplication and division calculations. Our focus for numeracy will be place value, multiplication, division and fractions. Pupils will be given opportunities to revise and consolidate prior learning and challenge and extend their skills and knowledge. Mrs Conetta will be focusing on maths and in particular shape.

**French**

We will have the opportunity to practice our French vocabulary and learn simple phrases on a weekly basis with Mrs Conetta.

**Homework**

Homework will be notified weekly on TEAMS. Pupils will complete work at home and will not be required to return jotters to school, instead work can be completed on their E-Portfolio or photographs uploaded. I will “check-in” with pupils regularly to discuss work on their portfolio.

**Rights Respecting Schools**

As we aim to earn our GOLD award we will be focusing on our school, playground and class charters. We had fun designing our own class charter and choosing the rights that we thought important for our class, we linked these to SHANARRI. Please look at photos of our Charter on our class blog.

We will focus on a different UNCRC article each week from the Unicef website.

There will also be opportunities to explore Global Goals and the impact we have on our environment and the environment in the wider world.

experiences we have planned in the classroom.

**Important News** :

* Skiing at Newmiln Ski Centre from September – November.
* Cross Country Event – Primary 6
* Wellbeing Ambassador Trainiing for P5/6