

Literacy

Reading and Spelling

This term we will be using Bug Club readers to develop our reading skills and we will continue to use literacy circles in class to practise these skills. Every child has a “hard copy” of their novel in class and they are able to access the “online copy” at home. This is usually allocated weekly for homework.

As a class, we will have personal reading time to encourage reading for pleasure. Every pupil in p5/6 has chosen a fiction book from our library and we will be recommending great books and authors to each other throughout the term. We will also be using the Active Literacy Programme to develop our spelling skills.



Writing

This term we will focus on writing narratives, reports and explanations. We will be using our Scottish topic as a stimulus for writing.

Listening & Talking

We continue to use a wide variety of talking and listening activities throughout the day, including watching and discussing news clips and morning discussion activities.

Numeracy and Maths



We will continue to develop our numeracy skills through Number Talks revising and learning new strategies to support addition, subtraction, multiplication and division calculations. Our focus for numeracy will be time, multiplication and division. 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, angles, grid references and coordinates.

All pupils have personal targets for literacy/numeracy that can be viewed on their e-portfolios. These targets are regularly reviewed and evidence uploaded.



Fenwick Primary School



Primary 5/6 Newsletter

Term 2 January – April 2021/2022

Happy New Year to everyone. In Primary 5/6 we have a busy term ahead and we are looking forward to lots of fun and exciting learning.

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!

We were very excited to learn that our class won the East Ayrshire HWB competition to design a poster raising awareness of “Challenging Poverty” Our prize is a fun day of outdoor learning led by East Ayrshire’s Learning Outdoors Support Team (LOST) We look forward to that at the end of January.

Inter Disciplinary Learning (I.D.L)

For the first 2 weeks in January, we will be learning all about Scottish landmarks and then focussing, in particular, on landmarks in our local area. In class we will be learning to recite some Scottish Poetry including Robert Burns and we will have a homework task to learn a poem to recite in school.

We will then continue our Scottish theme, learning about the Scottish Wars of independence. We will have opportunities to work across the curriculum including expressive arts, technology and social subjects.



We will also be taking part in the RSPB Big Birdwatch Challenge at the end of January.

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.

Health and Wellbeing



During PE this term we are focussing on dance with Mrs Conetta and fitness games with Mrs Ross. **Our PE days will be a Tuesday and Thursday, your child can wear their PE kit to school on those days (no jewellery please)**

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, Massage in Schools Programme.

This term our focus will be “World of Work” and RSHP.

As we were unable to complete these lessons last term, we also will be exploring Relationships, Sexual Health and Relationships lessons. Please look at the school app with a letter specific to this topic in the coming weeks.

Our weekly Achievement Assemblies celebrate success in school and at home. We update our Achievement Blog page weekly.

French



We will have the opportunity to practise our French vocabulary and learn simple phrases on a weekly basis with Mrs Conetta, this term continuing to learn numbers, colours and simple phrases. .

How you can help support your child at home...

www.sumdog.com

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

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

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

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Bug Club – pupils will have BugClub novels allocated each term to read