

Lainshaw Primary School Termly Newsletter
P3/4 and P4 Term 1 2023/2024



As we return to school after the summer holidays, we are very excited to be working with your children and start to build a classroom culture of positivity and support. Here's to a fun and productive first term!

Language & Literacy



In literacy we will be practising our reading skills by blending, segmenting and decoding through a range of different texts. This will help us develop fluency and comprehension. Children will continue to learn new phonemes and common words as part of the East Ayrshire spelling programme using active strategies. Talking and listening will be developed through the use of class discussions and pupils will participate in a research talking task later in the term. We will be focussing on the key tools for writing including a variety of sentence openers, punctuation, vocabulary and connectives to support our development in writing. Our focus will then be on recount writing.

Numeracy & Mathematics



This term we will be focussing primarily on recapping and expanding our knowledge of place value and number. We will continue to work on our number talks to introduce different strategies for solving calculations, particularly number lines and partitioning this term. We will also continue to build our skills in addition and subtraction using a range of learning styles such as number talks, active maths and online games.

Health & Wellbeing



P.E- In PE we will be focussing on fitness. We will improve our strength, stamina and speed through mini games and circuits. We will also be using games to help build relationships.

Health – Through the use of 'PATHS', pupils will explore and develop their understanding of their own feelings and the feelings of others, develop resilience and discuss problem solving strategies. Pupils will also be celebrated regularly through 'PATHS Pupil of the Day' which focuses on giving and receiving compliments.

Interdisciplinary Learning



This term our topic will be 'Our Town'. We will be investigating our local landscape, types of housing and services in our area. We will develop our mapping skills and the ability to plot familiar places in our community. We will create a range of artwork including portraits and mixed media inspired by our surroundings. We will consider the role of our school in our community and have the opportunity to meet different people from our town.

Additional Information

- P3/4 – PE days are Monday and Wednesday.
- P4M - PE days are Wednesday and Friday.
- Outdoor Learning will be on a Friday – please ensure your children bring appropriate footwear.
- 6th September: Meet the Teacher - All parents are welcome to join us in our classrooms between 6pm-7pm. *(More information will be available on the app.)*