




**What are we learning this term?**

**Term 1 2023-2024**


We are absolutely delighted to welcome in our new set of P7 pupils. This final year of school will be fun packed and full of leadership opportunities and special events for both classes to enjoy. We look forward to making special memories with our young people!!! This year the P.E days are Monday and Thursday for P7W and Tuesday and Friday for P7LM. We would like to remind all pupils to bring P.E kit on these days and that jewellery must be removed. The homework blocks for this term will begin on 28.8.23 and 2.10.23. Children will be given a homework folder and jotter to complete set tasks. You can find out more information about the forthcoming year at *Meet the Teacher* on the 6<sup>th</sup> of September.

**Language and Literacy**




In Term 1 we will be reading the novel 'Wonder' by R.J. Palacio. Through our class novel, learners will be supported to develop their use of the six Active Literacy reading strategies - metalinguistics, inference, summarising, prior knowledge, main ideas and visualisation. The children will also be encouraged to read for enjoyment on a regular basis. We will focus primarily on persuasive and discursive writing this term using topical subjects such as school uniform, home-schooling, animal captivity and social media as inspiration. Spelling will consist of revision of learned phonemes and practice of topical and subject-specific vocabulary. We will also focus on specific spelling rules such as double consonants, 'soft' c, suffixes etc.

**Numeracy**




This term we will be focussing primarily on number processes – place value of both whole and decimal numbers, rounding of whole numbers and decimal numbers, the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) and applying this knowledge to mathematical word problems. In addition, concepts will be consistently revised through daily maths challenges and use of Sumdog and Top Marks (Daily 10 & Hit the Button) which can also be accessed at home. Additionally, we will be exploring angles – classifying and naming, measuring and drawing them accurately using a protractor and calculating missing angles.

**Health**



**P.E**- Miss Duncan will oversee the PE this year. This term's focus will be athletics and fitness.  
**Core Health** - In Term 1 our focus in Health & Wellbeing will be self-esteem, regulating our emotions, friendship and bullying, which are also addressed in our novel study. Learners will have opportunities to discuss scenarios and develop regulation strategies whilst furthering their understanding of equity and equality.  
**Duties** – We are delighted to see how well the children have embraced their new responsibilities and duties, becoming positive role models to the rest of the school.

**Contexts for Learning**



To begin the term, learners are working on the mini topic 'Genetics & Inheritance' where they are exploring inherited and non-inherited characteristics, genes and variation. Our main IDL context this term is 'The Human Body'. We will explore different body systems (respiratory, circulatory and skeletal) through engaging discussions and practical experiments as well as conducting personal research on related health conditions and how to prevent them. Children will also have many opportunities to be creative and produce some expressive mixed-media artwork.