



Crookfur News

Primary 5



Session 2017/18

Jan – March 2018

Curriculum News



We have had a brilliant first term in Primary 5 with a wide range of exciting and motivating learning experiences enjoyed by all. We are looking forward to all that lies ahead in 2018.

Literacy: Primary 5 will be focusing on developing our comprehension and literacy skills through digital texts and moving images. We will be making good use of the incredible ICT resources throughout the school and, where possible, carrying out learning experiences digitally. Pupils will continue to develop their literacy skills through a range of guided reading, spelling, grammar, talking & listening and writing experiences.

Numeracy: Problem solving will be at the heart of our numeracy experiences this coming term. We will be applying the knowledge and understanding of mathematics throughout a range of contexts and encouraging the pupils to explain and share their thinking and strategies with others. Rapid recall in mental arithmetic will also be an area of focus. Children will be making links to real life and becoming more aware of the importance of maths in the world around us.

Health & Wellbeing: We will continue to engage with mindfulness daily and encourage pupils to apply their resilience as appropriate. The pupils will also learn "Heart Start" lifesaving skills and approaches this term.

ICT: Following on from the coding learning experiences the pupils will have the opportunity to create their own games and virtual reality worlds using Kodu, Scratch and Coding.

Learning Links

As we move on to explore our local area and land use around us, we will be planning a number of trips and experiences to support the learning. We hope to visit Whitelee Windfarm to learn renewable energy and explore why the land there is suited to its purpose. If you have any knowledge or experiences relating to renewable energy, electricity, land use/ land formation we would love to hear from you.

This term we will benefit from looking at the many ways science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) are linked and how the skills we develop can be applied in everyday life. We will be collecting resources for our STEM area, so please send any junk our way!

Celebrating Achievements

Last term Primary 5 represented Crookfur Primary on the local radio station Clyde 1. It was so exciting and we really enjoyed the recording experience. We also represented our school at the official opening ceremony where members of the local community and East Renfrewshire Council were blown away by our fantastic performances.

A highlight of last term was our Christmas Show which brought some festive cheer to all; the pupils were incredible and made us all very proud. Well done!



Helpful Homework Hints

- Homework is issued on a Tuesday to be returned the following Monday.
- Homework will reinforce concepts taught in class and will usually comprise some spelling, reading and mental maths.
- For greatest impact, mental maths questions should be read aloud by the homework helper and children's answers recorded. Any incorrect answers should be discussed but it is useful for the teacher to see children's errors in order to follow up in class.

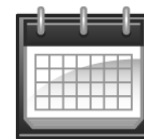
Many thanks for your support

General Information



Our Class Blogs are now accessible through the school website:
 Primary 5a have PE on a Tuesday and a Thursday.
 Primary 5b have PE on a Tuesday and a Friday. Tuesday will be our outdoor PE session. Please remember to bring suitable clothes for outdoor activities e.g. jogging trousers/ waterproofs, hats and gloves.

Dates for the Diary



January	February	March
House Reward Afternoon 12/1/18	Jotters Home to Parents 2/2/18	World Book Day 1/3/18
Parent Council Meeting 18/1/18 @ 7pm	Parents Evenings Wed 7 th Feb (5-8pm) Thurs 8 th Feb (4-6.30pm)	Parent Council Meeting 1/3/18 @ 7pm
Fundraising Committee Meeting 25/1/18 @ 7pm	February Weekend School Closed Fri 9 th – Tues 13 th Feb School re-opens 14 th Feb	House Spirit Afternoon 8/3/18
		Jotters Home to Parents 23/3/18
		Spring Holiday 30/3/18- 15/4/18

School Re-opens
16th April