

# Hillview Primary

## Primary 7



### Welcome to Term 2

First and foremost, I would like to thank you for all your help at home in helping Primary Seven adjust to our 'new normal' in school. P7 have settled in really well, and shown real enthusiasm to engage in our wide range of learning experiences. Children in P7 have had a special input in promoting our school aims and values, and organising house competitions, showing a great sense of responsibility and trust.

Our **Class Blog** will be accessible through the school website. Please also follow the school on **Twitter**. Primary 7 enjoy sharing their learning and this is a great way for you to keep up to date with the learning in class!

Thanks for your support,  
Miss Taylor and Mrs Watson

### P.E.

Primary 7 will continue to have their P.E. sessions on a Tuesday and Thursday. Both lessons will take place outdoors where possible, therefore pupils should bring their **P.E. kits** (white/school polo shirt, black/navy shorts or leggings), **a water bottle** and come prepared for all weathers on both days.

### Homework

Homework will now be issued weekly (issued on Monday and to be completed for Friday). Each child has been given a homework diary where each day's homework tasks will be written. Please include any communication about homework in the parent comments section of the diary. Each child will have a daily spelling and mental-maths homework, and a reading comprehension to be completed throughout the week.

Please encourage your child to read a book they really enjoy at home every night if possible. Thank you very much for all your help with homework it is very much appreciated!

### Achievements

There are lots of great opportunities available in Primary 7, and the children have embraced these opportunities to the fullest, and even suggested some great ideas of their own which we have been able to implement. We would like to congratulate all children who have been selected for the following committees:

#### House Captains and Vice Captains

Arthurlie	Dealston	Gateside	Grahamston
Captain Callum Vice-Captain Amy	Captain Leona Vice-captain Marlie	Captain Nathan J Vice-captain Poppy	Captain Zoe Vice-captain Ava

#### Pupil Council

Paige, Ava, Brooke and Cerys

#### Eco-Council

Kate and Jayden

#### Rights Respecting School

Marlie and Kelsie

#### Sports Academy

Honey, Cerys, Brooke, Amy, Kate, Zoe and Ava



*Working Together To Achieve  
Our Goals*

Our Values  
Fairness, Honesty and Kindness

Our Aims  
Be Determined  
Be Respectful  
Be Safe

# Curriculum News



## Literacy

Our focus for literacy this term will be linked to our new topic, World War Two. In reading, we will be developing skills for finding, selecting and using information. This will include reinforcement of skimming and scanning skills, selecting information from a variety of sources, making and organising notes, and using notes to create new texts.

We also have a strong focus on reading for enjoyment this term. All children have a chance to read a book of their choice every day, and our weekly 'Starbooks' reading café allows the children to engage in meaningful discussion about the books they are reading.

In writing, P7 have worked hard to create various poems, with a particular focus on using personification and onomatopoeia to enhance writing. Our writing this term will be closely linked to WW2, and children will have the opportunity to write reports and organise information in an appropriate way, based on notes taken during reading and other learning opportunities.

## Numeracy

Problem solving and number talk remains at the heart of all numeracy experiences, and children have the opportunity to share their ideas and solutions with each other during our daily mental-maths input. The following areas of learning and skills will be explored this term:

<b>Red sharks</b>	<b>Duckies</b>	<b>Mole-rats</b>
Identify and continue patterns and sequences of number Apply the order of operations (BODMAS) when completing calculations. Explore properties of circles Interpret, organize and analyze data. Conduct timed investigations Apply understanding of place value, estimation and rounding.	Apply understanding of place value, estimation and rounding. Investigate properties of 3D shapes and their use in the environment. Read, write and tell the time using 12 and 24 hour notation, including interpreting timetables. Draw and measure angles to the nearest degree. Investigate and convert common fractions and decimal fractions.	Investigate the properties of 3D shapes and their use in the environment. Extend understanding of number processes and operations. Read the time to the nearest minute. Use a calendar to plan events.

## Health and Wellbeing

Our focus for health and wellbeing this term will highlight the importance of our mental health. Primary 7 will develop their understanding of mental health, and learn different skills and strategies to look after our mental health.

## Social Studies

Primary Seven can't wait to begin our new topic 'World War Two'. As always, our topic will take an interdisciplinary approach. Children will have the opportunity to apply their writing, digital and scientific reasoning skills to investigate sources and discover how WWII has impacted Scotland today.