

Hillview Primary

Primary 5/4



Welcome to Term 1

Our **Class Blog** will be accessible through the school website. Please also follow the school on **Twitter**. Primary 5/4 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,
Mr McDowell



P.E.

Primary 5/4 will have their P.E. sessions on a Tuesday and Friday.

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. In Term 1 we will be focusing on health and fitness to prepare for the sports and activities ahead. I would also encourage pupils to take advantage of the numerous sports clubs that will be on offer this year.



Homework

Homework will be issued weekly (issued on Tuesday and to be completed for Monday the following week). Each child will have a daily spelling and mental-maths homework, and a reading comprehension to be completed throughout the week.

There is no expectation for homework to be completed over the weekend. It is there as an option for pupils who are busy with clubs during 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

Throughout the year we will be acknowledging pupils on our recognition board in the classroom who display the school's values, as well as recognising our 'Star Writers' each week for effort in writing. We will also have an Achievements Assembly each term, and as always we will continue to share and celebrate any achievements from outside of school at assemblies too.



Curriculum News

Literacy

This term we will be focusing on functional writing, where we will be using texts, moving images and local events to inspire us. In reading we will continue to explore fiction and non-fiction books with a focus on developing our reading strategies. We will also be making links to our COP26 Topic where the pupils will be writing newspaper articles, persuasive posters and reports.

Numeracy

There was a focus on number fluency in term one and reminding ourselves of the mental-maths strategies for addition and subtraction, as well as a focus on multiplication and division. This term we will also be looking at areas such as Problem Solving, Area and Perimeter, Angles, Multiples, Factors and Prime Numbers.

Health and Wellbeing

This term we will be developing our resilience in school. The pupils will be learning about the importance of resilience and revisiting strategies we can use in the classroom to make us resilient learners. We will also focus on the impact that empathy, kindness, resilience and trust has on building positive relationships.

Social Studies

This term we will be finding our voices for the COP 26 Conference in Glasgow. We will discover ways we can live in a more environmentally responsible way by identifying what we do well as a community and what change our voices can make. In addition, we will look at the advantages and disadvantages of travel on the environment. The pupils will also be using the writing skills they are learning this term to create newspaper articles, posters and reports to express their opinions and put into action some of their ideas for change.



*Working Together To Achieve
Our Goals*

Our Values

Fairness, Honesty and Kindness

Our Aims

Be Determined

Be Respectful

Be Safe