# Primary P4a Class Newsletter Term 1



## <u>Literacy</u>

<u>Reading:</u> We will practise using the before, during and after reading strategies focussing on predicting and asking questions.

<u>Writing:</u> Our focus will be improving our skills in recount writing, character descriptions and poetry.

<u>Spelling:</u> We will learn rules and commonly misspelled words. Using a variety of different strategies and active activities. Words will be uploaded onto Seesaw for the term ahead.

<u>Talking and Listening:</u> We will be focussing on what 'good' talking and listening looks and sounds like.

## **Maths and Numeracy**

Number Sense: Investigate whole numbers and place value.

Four operations: strategies for adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing.

Shape: Properties of 2D & 3D shapes.

# **Health and Wellbeing**

We will re-visit our school values, nurture principles, Emotion Works and creating a class community.

Our P.E. days this term will be Wednesday & Friday. Our focus will be football and hockey, and we will be developing our communication and teamwork skills through this.

Pupils can come dressed in gym kit, please remove jewellery and bring a full water bottle. Make sure clothing, particularly cardigans and jumpers, are labelled with your child's name and class.

#### **Technologies**

We will be using the iPad to research landmarks on the River Clyde and prepare a group presentation with slides using Keynote.

# <u>Science</u>

We will be learning about the water cycle and the lifecycles of wildlife found in rivers.

#### **Social Studies**

"Doon the Watter" – we will be looking at our local area – specifically the River Clyde and how its uses have changed over the years.

# Music

This term the children will have the opportunity to learn to play an instrument with the visiting music teacher. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn to play the violin, viola or the cello. The children are very excited about this!