

Literacy and Languages



Writing: Our focus will be to write an imaginative story linked to the Romans topic. We will also write an explanation text linked to the topic and a descriptive poem using Scots language. We will continue to develop handwriting by joining letters, weekly spelling patterns and VCOP skills.

Reading: Literacy Circles will use group readers. These sessions continue to develop reading comprehension, higher order thinking skills and co-operative working. It is very important that pupils complete their task for a Friday. As always, pupils are encouraged to borrow from the class library to foster reading for enjoyment.

Listening and Talking: Pupils will be listening to poetry and will develop skills in reading and discussing poetry using appropriate vocabulary. They will choose and prepare a Scots poem which they will recite to their class. We will also continue to develop note-taking skills for topic work.

French: Weekly lessons with Ms Doherty. This term the focus will be on revising numbers to 30 before moving on to numbers to 60. Pupils will also look at telling the time and naming classroom objects.

Mathematics and Numeracy



Developing skills in using a variety of strategies for solving number problems.
Concrete materials used to ensure sound understanding of concepts.

- Multiplication and Division
- Fractions and Decimals
- Area and Perimeter
- Equations and Expressions
- Time
- Co-ordinates and Angles
- Place Value, addition and subtraction.

Using Number Talk sessions to identify and develop efficient mental agility

Social Studies, Science and Technologies

Social Studies Our Social Studies topic is The Romans. We will take part in discussions about the different forms of historical evidence, looking at evidence of the Romans in Scotland. We will create timelines to sequence key events and compare aspects of people's lives in the past to ours today.

Technologies

ICT: Presentation skills using Keynote, recording and presenting using iMovie and our App of the Month – Green Screen.

We will build 3D models of Roman shields, forts and villas.

Sciences: Pupils will take part in the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) annual audit. This will involve identifying birds, learning about habitats & feeding and gathering and collating results. Pupils will also learn how to take part in this at home.

Health and Wellbeing (Including P.E.)



HWB:

We will look at aspects of healthy eating, including food labelling, identifying different food groups and creating healthy, balanced menus.

We will also explore personal space, boundaries and verbal and non-verbal communication.

Relationships, Sexual Health and Parenthood Education (RSHPE) P5 Lessons

My Body

Friends and Friendship

A fair and equal life for girls and boys

Consent

Social Media and popular culture

Protecting me/ Abuse and relationships

PE:

Indoors: Basketball

Outdoors: Hockey, Dodgeball

Religious and Moral Education



Christianity: The Easter story.

Islam: We will learn more about key aspects of Islam through investigating people, stories and traditions which influence beliefs and values. We will reflect on similarities and differences within and between religions.

Expressive Arts (Art and Design, Music, Drama and Dance)

Music: Youth Music Initiative (YMI) lessons linked to Scotland and Music from other Cultures (China). In these sessions, pupils will learn about some of the instruments, music and songs of these countries.

Drama: This term, pupils will participate in weekly (Tues) Eco-drama sessions. Pupils will also be learning skills in reading, performing and writing simple scripts.

Art and Design: We will be doing a variety of drawing and painting activities based on the Romans topic. We will design and create mosaic patterns and also use *Explain Everything* to create digital artwork.

Further Information

- PE is on a **Monday (indoors) and Friday (outdoors)**. Pupils should come dressed for PE on these days. When PE is outdoors, children should be dressed appropriately for the weather. No jewellery please. It is suggested that jewellery is left at home on PE days.
- A reminder that filled water bottles are important for the children to keep hydrated throughout the day. Please ensure these are labelled and filled at home every day. Some pupils may need to bring 2 on their PE days.
- This term pupils will take part in Eco-drama sessions on a Tuesday. As this is outdoors in all conditions, everyone needs to be appropriately dressed for the weather. Pupils should have a change of clothing which they bring to school every Tuesday.
- **Homework** will be given out on Monday through Seesaw and should be completed by the Thursday evening please. Pupils will have homework most weeks throughout the year. This will include Spelling words, reading and related activities and Sumdog activities. Homework may also include additional Mathematics and Numeracy, Literacy or topic related tasks. Please check your child's Seesaw account each Monday. Pupils should upload at least one piece of work on Seesaw each week. If there are any difficulties please contact the school office.
**Literacy Circles will be on a Friday. It is very important that pupils complete their task for a Friday to contribute fully to their group. **
- If you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the school by phone or email.



Curriculum Newsletter

Term 3

Session 2021/22

Primary 5a

Class Teachers – Ms Pitblado and Mrs Smyth