

*Keeping You Posted*

***Primary 4***

*Camstradden Primary School*

*Glasgow*

***TERM 1***



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It has been lovely to welcome the children back for the new school year and they have settled in well to Primary 4. This term our PE days are Tuesday afternoons and Wednesday mornings. Children should bring PE kit on these days as well as indoor shoes. It would be helpful if the children didn’t wear jewellery on these days. We will be using Seesaw to keep in touch so if you have any queries or questions you can contact us there. Mrs Gillies takes the class on Tuesday afternoons and on Wednesdays.

Miss Gordon

***Other Information***

***Please return the tear off slip to your child’s teacher to confirm that you have received this term’s curriculum news – thank you.***

**Child’s Name:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **Primary**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_



***Numeracy & Mathematics***

Reading:

 We are focusing on the following reading strategies in Term 1: predicting, clarifying, questioning and summarising. We will use Reading Planets as our reading scheme. Children will work in their reading groups on before, during and after reading skills. We are also reading ‘Featherlight’ as our class novel this term.

**FICTION –** **Description**

**NON-FICTION – Procedural**

Writing: We are focusing on description and procedural writing this term. Children will also be given opportunities to apply skills already learned and to create pieces of writing of their choice. We practise spelling every day, using a variety of spelling strategies.

Shape, Position & Movement :

We will be revising our knowledge of 2D and 3D shapes and their properties. As part of our Egypt topic we will be exploring pyramids; learning about the properties of pyramids and creating 3D models of pyramids.

Number, Money & Measure:

We are working on Place Value this term with the aim of extending the range of whole numbers the children can work with. We will consolidate use of the 4 operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) throughout the term.

***Writing Focus:***

***Literacy***

Information Handling:

The children will be completing surveys on playground use and favourite fruits and vegetables as part of this term’s work in Health and Wellbeing.

Listening & Talking: The children have lots of opportunities for group and class discussions as part of our Egypt topic. We watch Newsround regularly and the children create questions to ask each other about the programme.

***Health and Wellbeing***

***Social Studies/Sciences/Technologies***

Our social studies topic this term is Egypt. The class will be learning about Ancient Egypt, the Pyramids and the Pharoahs, but we will also look at modern Egypt and compare climate and lifestyle with Scotland. In science Mrs Gillies will be working on body systems, starting with the human skeleton.

In August we have been creating our class charter and looking at our school motto ‘Camstradden Cares’. The focus for September is SAFE and in October we focus on HEALTHY. Mrs Gillies takes the class for PE on Tuesdays, focusing on fitness in Term 1. Mrs Nolan takes the class on Wednesdays for PE and will focus on basketball and gymnastics.

***Expressive Arts***

***Religious and Moral Education***

In art we are looking at colour mixing, focusing on primary and secondary colours. We will also be using a range of media to create artwork, including paint, charcoal, pencil, pastels and chalk. The class will be researching Picasso and creating some art pieces in the Cubsim style that Picasso is famous for. We will be looking at rhythm in music

Our theme for Term 1 is Judaism and Mrs Gillies will be teaching the children about Shabbat. We are also learning about values and are in the process of creating our Class Charter using the UNCRC (United Nation’s Convention on the Rights of the Child).



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