



Our Lady of the Annunciation

Primary 7/6 Term 1 Curricular Newsletter



Literacy

- Primary 7/6 will use the Jolly Spelling/Grammar programme to explore a range of spelling patterns, rules and common words, applying these within their everyday writing.
- Reading - Through our novel study of *Private Peaceful* and our Literacy World texts, pupils will explore character, summarising, inference and reading for pleasure, using evidence from the text to support their thinking. Literacy World provides opportunities for children to read a range of engaging texts at an appropriate level while developing their comprehension skills.
- Writing - We will develop imaginative and descriptive writing this term, using similes, ambitious vocabulary and varied sentence structures to add detail and interest.
- Handwriting - Children will use Nelson Handwriting to develop their linked script and presentation skills.



Numeracy and Maths

- This term in Numeracy, Primary 7/6 will develop their understanding of place value with numbers up to one million, alongside estimation and rounding. We will also strengthen our skills in the four operations and apply these to problem-solving using a range of Glasgow Counts strategies.
- We will develop our mental maths skills using Schofield & Sims Mental Arithmetic, building speed, accuracy and confidence when calculating mentally and applying different strategies.
- In Maths, we will explore fractions, decimals, percentages, time, shape, measurement and angles. We will also develop our data handling skills, interpreting and creating bar charts, line graphs and pie charts.



Interdisciplinary Learning

- Our main interdisciplinary topic this term is World War One. We will explore what life was like for soldiers, families and communities, including life in the trenches, communication, propaganda and significant events during the war.
- The children in P6 and P7 will develop their research and investigation skills through a range of reading tasks, discussions, research, presentations and creative activities. Learning will be linked across Literacy, Social Studies, Art, RERC and other areas of the curriculum.



Health and Wellbeing

- In HWB, we will develop our understanding of emotions, resilience, positive relationships, empathy and respect, as well as strategies for managing feelings and resolving conflict calmly.
- In PE, we will have Handball on Tuesdays with Niamh from PEPASS, and Basketball on Thursdays, developing our skills, teamwork and confidence through various team games and activities.



Religious Education

- In RERC, we will explore God's creation and our responsibility to care for our common home, drawing on Scripture and Laudato Si. We will consider how we can work with God to protect nature, promote life and become responsible stewards of creation.
- We will also learn about the life of Mary, including the Feast of the Assumption, the Wedding Feast at Cana and the message of Fatima. Children will explore the Mysteries of Light and Sorrowful Mysteries, developing their understanding of key events from the life of Jesus and Mary.



Opportunities for Personal Achievement/ Community Contribution

- We recently held our Pupil Council elections. A big well done to Eva, Darcie and Isaac for being elected to represent Primary 7/6. We look forward to hearing their ideas and seeing them make a positive contribution to our school community.
- We will continue to celebrate the achievements and contributions of all our pupils, both in and out of school. Please share any successes from clubs, sports, music or other activities so we can celebrate them in class and on Showbie.



How you can help your child at home

- Please encourage your child to read for at least 20 minutes each night and to practise their spelling patterns and weekly word lists.
- In Numeracy, please continue to practise times tables at home as much as possible to develop confidence. Keep revising number bonds to keep core skills sharp. Help your child develop good study skills at home to prepare them for the years of study ahead.
- Encourage your child to learn and practise their prayers and mass responses, where appropriate.

