

Curriculum News

Primary 5 – Term 3



Craigton Primary School

Dear Families of P5,

Happy New Year! We have an exciting term ahead in P5, we had a visit to Glasgow Science Centre to find out all about the Clyde in the Classroom project we will be taking part in this term. This will involve looking after trout eggs in our classroom and releasing our fish back into the River Clyde when they are ready!

PE days

PE days for P5 are on Tuesday and Thursday. We will be focusing on football on a Tuesday and basketball on a Thursday. We are fortunate to welcome a coach from Rangers FC to help inspire and develop our football skills on a Tuesday. On PE days, children should come to school in their PE kit. Children are encouraged to wear school colours for their PE days. No football tops should be worn. Earrings must be taken out to take part in PE. Children are required to do this independently.

Homework

In collaboration with the children and due to a low uptake of Seesaw homework participation it has been agreed that they would prefer paper copy homework. Each pupil has a new jotter and folder. Homework will be given out each Monday – this will include a range of reading, spelling and numeracy tasks. This should take no longer than 20 minutes and children will be able to complete independently.

Other Areas of the Curriculum

This term in Religious and Moral Education, we will be learning about Passover, exploring its significance, traditions, and the values it represents. Students will gain a deeper understanding of this important Jewish celebration and its historical context.

Other Class Information

I have loved hearing about pupils' achievements outside of school this term. Please continue to encourage your child to share achievements they are proud of with the class and at assembly.

Our IDL learning (Interdisciplinary)

For Clyde in the Classroom, part of looking after the brown trout is keeping the water in their hatchery cool. In total, we will need over 240 empty bottles, to be filled and frozen in school. Please bring in as many water bottles as you can!

We will be also looking at Global Goals this term and what impact they will have on the world by 2030. This relates closely to our Clyde in the Classroom project as Global Goal 6 and 14 both relate to water and sanitation.

We will keep everyone updated about the project via Seesaw so please log in to follow our journey from receiving our Hatchery to releasing the fish. We have received 200 eggs what are your predictions on how many will grow into fry and be released?

Our Literacy Learning

This term in reading, we will focus on developing our questioning skills using and creating inferential, literal and evaluative questions. We will be focusing on the novel 'Wonder' by R.J. Palacio. In writing, we will be focusing on procedural writing which will have close links with the Clyde in the Classroom topic. In talking and listening, we will concentrate on improving presentation skills, encouraging students to express their ideas confidently and clearly in front of an audience. We will also be thinking about a 'big question' each week where we will learn how to share our opinions respectfully.

Our Numeracy and Mathematics Learning

Students will explore fractions, decimals, and percentages, learning how they relate to one another and how to convert between them.

We will also work on telling the time accurately, both on digital and analogue clocks, as well as applying this knowledge to real-life situations.

Additionally, pupils will continue to develop their fast recall of times tables. Please could you revise these at home to help. We will be running a maths club on a Wednesday to help learners with numeracy.

We will be reading *Wonder* as our class novel this term, and I would like to request your permission for your child to watch the PG-rated movie adaptation. Viewing the film will enhance their understanding of the story and spark engaging discussions in class. Please return this slip if you do not consent to this activity.

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