

Welcome to our Primary 5SH Newsletter!

**Term 1
2023**

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It's great to get together in our new school and we are having fun exploring and making the use of our learning areas inside and outside. Hopefully the weather will be kind to us, but we will wrap up warm and make the most of our new school. We have been making new friends.

Interdisciplinary Learning

We chose Spain as the focus for our learning. We will be investigating the different climate and landscape in Spain as well as comparing life in Spain with life in Scotland. We will be looking at different aspects of life in Spain and learning some Spanish too!

Health and Wellbeing

We started the new term by learning about new beginnings through the book *The Boy at the Back of the Class*. We discussed ways to be kind to others. We will be investigating the different ways germs can spread and ways to control this. We will also be investigating ways to avoid food poisoning. Miss Tsang will work with our class to build on our knowledge of how to manage our emotions through Emotion Works.

P.E

Our P.E days are Monday and Thursday. We will be using the outdoor areas for learning on other days, so please bring a jacket as the weather can change quickly. This term we will be looking at cooperation and team games. This will include hockey, football and badminton. We will be developing our skills in throwing, catching, passing, shooting and control. Remember to bring a water bottle.

Digital Learning

This term we will be using digital technology to investigate different nonfiction texts. We will also be using GLOW and OneNote to create documents using word and PowerPoint. As part of our learning about digital citizenship we will be showing an understanding of responsible behaviour and how to keep safe and secure while online.

Literacy

Spelling

We will continue to follow NLC's Spelling into phonics programme. This will develop our understanding of phonemes as well as spelling rules and common words. We will be using different strategies to help us spell.

Reading

We will be reading fiction, non-fiction and digital texts. We will be using different comprehension strategies.

Writing

This term will focus on core targets being used across all writing. We will be writing narrative, instructions and creating information texts linked to our IDL topic.

Numeracy

We will be developing our mental agility through Number Talks. We will learn how to use landmark numbers and doubles/near doubles to solve calculations. We will consolidate our understanding of Place Value and use this to solve real life problems. We will be looking at the number processes and using them to solve calculations. We will be investigating Multiples, Factors and Prime numbers and the different ways we can measure, length, volume and area.

Homework

Homework will be set on Teams weekly. There will be Literacy and Numeracy homework to complete in jotters. Children will have login details in their homework jotters. Jotters and any reading books should be returned on Friday morning.

Key Dates for the Term

September Weekend – Friday 22nd and Monday 25th
October Week – Monday 16th – Friday 20th