

Welcome to our Primary 6 Newsletter!

**Term 1
Oct-Dec**

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We are now working our way through some new topics and have established a routine within the class.

Science

The children will spend time looking at electricity. The specific focus will be on battery power and how it works. The children will have the opportunity to plan and carry out investigations in this area.

Technology

The children will have the opportunity to make a few items for the outdoor garden area. They will design and make bug hotels using clay. They will also compete to design a hedgehog hide. The winning designer will help coordinate the build.

Health and Wellbeing

We will spend some time in class learning how to be safe in dark weather, be safe during bonfire night and continue to learn about resilience and what that looks like when in school.

Literacy

Spelling will continue to be posted on Teams. Children will continue to look at these words during class time and should be encouraged to look at them at home too.

We finished the class novel, The Butterfly Lion and the children did not see the twist coming. The children are now working in their reading groups looking at non-fiction texts. This block will also see the children looking at poetry too. We will continue to include narrative writing in our learning but will complete instructions when we are finished looking at persuasive.

The class are enjoying their Gaelic lessons and continue to learn new vocabulary. We have been in touch with a BSL co-ordinator who has provided us with a new learning pack. The children and I are very excited to give this new programme a go.

Numeracy

This block we will continue to look at the four operations-addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. The children will also look at measure, word problems and some aspects of money.

P.E

The Wednesday PE session will continue to be indoors, and the main focus will be volleyball. Friday's session will continue to be outside, and we will have a look at Ultimate Frisbee. We have been using the pitches in all weather conditions, including the wind and rain. It is essential in the colder months that the children are appropriately dressed to keep them warm and dry.

In line with the school's uniform policy, children are asked to wear white polo shirts/T-Shirts and navy shorts/leggings/joggers.

ICT

The children will use different devices in school to support their learning. They have enjoyed the live typing aspect of Teams so we will use this again. They will also get a chance to work with the iPads to create another stop motion animation.

Homework

Homework will continue to be posted on Teams. The General Channel explains the tasks, and the other channels are used to place the homework according to the subject. Homework is given out on Monday and can be marked on the Friday.

There are a number of children who would benefit from continued counting and multiplication revision to improve their mental agility. Card games and online games will help.

Key Dates for the Term

- 13.11.23 In-service Day
- 16.11.23 Parent Teacher Consultations
- 08.12.23 Christmas lunch and jumper day
- 15.12.23 P6 Christmas Party
- 21.11.23 P4-7 Service
- 22.12.23 School closes 14:30 for Christmas