


# Welcome to our Primary 4 Newsletter!

**Term 3  
2023**

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We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and New Year. We would like to start by saying thank you for all the kind cards and gifts. We were completely spoiled by the boys and girls. The children worked very hard in term two and definitely deserved their holidays! We would also like to thank all parents and carers for their support during term 2. We thoroughly enjoyed it and we hope the boys and girls did too. This term is looking like a busy one with our class assembly and Spring Concert.

## **Interdisciplinary Learning**

The IDL topic for this term will be The Egyptians. We will continue to learn about solids, liquids and gas during science.

## **HWB**

The Children will continue their work with a focus on the SHANARRI indicators focussing on the active, respected and responsible indicators. There will also be a focus on Online safety.

## **ICT**

The children will continue developing skills on the iPad and laptops when using Educandy, Sumdog and Scratch for coding.

**Literacy** Our reading activities will continue to focus on the North Lanarkshire Active literacy program for reading with a focus on fiction some non-fiction texts. The children will continue to develop their understanding and use of the six reading strategies, in particular comprehension and knowledge about words.

In writing, the boys and girls will have developed an awareness of information report writing and narrative writing. We will now move onto developing their instruction writing. The children will continue be taught grammar, spelling and handwriting on a daily basis.

## **Numeracy**

Over term 3 the boys and girls will continue on our programme NLC numeracy pathway and Number Talks. They will be immersed in mental agility within the four operations.

It would be helpful if children continue to consolidate and practise their number work at home. The focus for this term will be on multiplication and division. For Outer Maths measure, time and angles position and movement will also be covered this term.

## **P.E**

**Monday (outside).**

**Wednesday (inside)** We may also go outside on Wednesday. The children will need warm, outdoor clothes and suitable footwear is needed for this, especially in winter.

Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately on their PE days. Children can come to school dressed in their outdoor PE kits as they will not be getting changed in school. We recommend outdoor clothes (jogging trousers/hoodie) and suitable footwear for this. A waterproof jacket might also be necessary and sun cream on warm days. Our PE sessions will be on a Monday and a Wednesday. The focus for PE this term will be gymnastics and tennis .

Please also send children to school with a suitable jacket each day as there will be a focus on outdoor learning.

**Please remember that all jewellery must be removed on gym days!!**

## **Water Bottles**

Pupils are encouraged to drink water throughout the day in class. We would be grateful if you would provide a water bottle for this purpose.

## **Homework**

The children will be given reading, common and phoneme words to practice along with some maths activities. The boys and girls will also have access to Sumdog and Educandy codes. Homework will continue to be uploaded by teachers onto teams. However this year we would ask the children to complete the homework in their jotter and return this to school on Fridays.

## **Homework Folders**

Please keep homework in homework jotters in folders along with any other pieces of homework. Look out for any letters, which may be put into here too!

## **Key Dates for the Term.**

February break – School closed Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February and reopens Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February.

Parents Evening – Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March

Class assembly- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March

Spring Concert- Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March

Easter holidays – school closes Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 2.30pm and reopens Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2023

