Welcome to our Primary 4 Newsletter!

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We hope you all had a lovely Easter and ate far too many Easter eggs!. The children worked very hard in term three and definitely deserved their holidays! We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support during term 3. We hope you enjoyed the class assembly and the Magpie Manor show. We can't quite believe this is the start of our final term of primary 4 and our first full year at Riverbank. We have a busy and fun term planned for the boys and girls.

Interdisciplinary Learning

The IDL topics for this term will be Plant Life and the World Cup. The will learn about forces and electricity during science.

HWB

The Children will continue their work with a focus on the SHANARRI indicators focussing on the included and respected indicators.

<u>ICT</u>

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

<u>Literacy</u> 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 instructional writing. We will now move onto developing their explanation writing. The children will continue be taught grammar, spelling and handwriting on a daily basis.

Numeracy

Over term 4 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 revisiting the four operations and problem solving .For Outer Maths money, probability and chance and fractions 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. 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 athletics, badminton and golf.

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.

May holidays- Thursday 2nd – Inservice, Monday 6th - Bank Holiday Friday 24th and Monday 27th- Bank Holiday weekend

Reports issued- 14th June Summer Disco- 20th June School close- Wednesday 26th June