



# Primary 5Sm News

## Class Information

Welcome to Primary 5Sm! The children have settled in well and we are all looking forward to an exciting and hard-working year in Primary 5. Mrs Leggat will cover NCCT on a Wednesday and she will teach indoor PE and RME when she is with the class. Could you please ensure that children bring a filled water bottle to school each day. Children should also come prepared for the weather as they will participate in outdoor learning and outdoor PE on Fridays. Important dates for the class will be in the school newsletter and on the class team.

## Homework

Homework will be available on teams and should be completed in the homework jotters provided. Children will also bring home their reading book. The homework jotters should be returned on a Thursday however reading books must come to school every day. This is important for daily reading and writing activities. The children will be given a copy of their log in details and the groups they are in.

## Literacy

**Reading** – Our reading activities will focus on a variety of comprehension activities from the NLC Active Literacy Programme. We will cover fiction and non-fiction reading throughout the year and in term 2 we will participate in a whole class non-fiction topic about climate change.

**Spelling** – We will follow the NLC Active Literacy Programme for spelling. Pupils will learn new phonemes and common words on a weekly basis and then complete a spelling assessment on a Friday. The children will have the opportunity to participate in daily activities to consolidate their spelling.

**Writing** – The children will complete a taught writing piece on a weekly basis which will link to their topic or another context within their learning. They will be encouraged to check and edit their work to ensure they are achieving their core targets and genre targets. Daily writing will also focus on grammar, punctuation and presentation.

## Numeracy

**Active Maths** – The children will develop their mental agility through active maths. They will participate in number talks session, maths games, ICT sessions, partner work and outdoor learning.

**Number** – The children will develop their ability in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. They will investigate whole numbers, negative numbers, decimals and fractions. To consolidate their understanding, they will solve maths word problems and maths comprehension questions.

**Outer Maths** – The children will build on their knowledge of time, measure, shape and money. They will look at the impact of maths in the wider world and how they can use maths in their everyday lives.

## Other Curricular Areas

Our first topic will be 'The Wild Robot' by Peter Brown. We will explore the developments in technology and how robots are used within society. After that we will investigate the life of the Vikings and how their life compares to ours. Next term our topics will be Scottish Myths and Legends then Climate change. We will finish off the year by covering an outdoor learning topic on Drumpellier Country Park and Summerlee.

In science we will investigate microorganisms in term one followed by a variety of STEM activities. In term two we will explore energy and sustainability and then investigate water in term 3.

This year the children may also get the opportunity to participate in a block of swimming.

Please note the above information is subject to change.