

# Primary 7/6 Bulletin

## August – October 2021

Welcome to the Primary 7/6 Bulletin for this term, it'll hopefully help keep you up to date with the learning and teaching in our P 7/6 classroom. More examples and photographs of activities in our classroom will be highlighted on our Class Twitter page - **@MrsFP76\_IPS**.

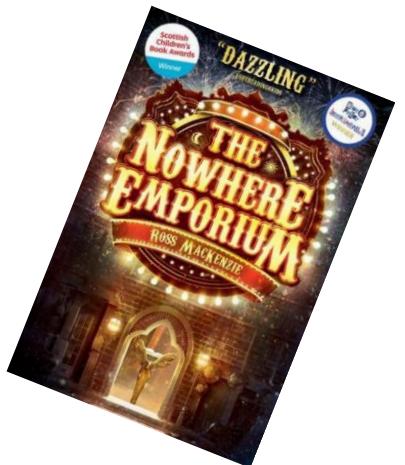
### Literacy

Much of the literacy work this term will be following on from work taught in Primary 5 and Primary 6. For example :-

- Big Write – we will focus again on VCOP (vocabulary, connectives, openers, and punctuation) and will practise these targets in a variety of creative writing passages and stories.
- Comprehension of familiar and unfamiliar texts; context clues; reading between the lines/ inference; analysis of texts.
- Listening and talking in groups –being the leader; taking turns; discussing.
- Descriptive writing –use of adjectives, thesaurus.
- Personal writing/poetry
- Alliteration/onomatopoeia

### Class novel

This term we will start reading the novel “The Nowhere Emporium” by Ross MacKenzie. It is an adventure book full of twists and turns with interesting and mysterious characters and unusual settings. We will use the novel as a focus for some of our literacy work this term.



### Maths

\*All groups will work on times tables to practise and revise them. In general, the children will work as two groups (P7 AND P6) with varying degrees of support.

- Mental maths strategies
- Times tables
- Addition/subtraction/multiplication/division - revision

## P6 -

- Numbers beyond 5 digits
- Multiplying/dividing by 10,100,1000
- Tests of divisibility
- Multiples and factors
- Prime numbers
- Second decimal place -  $+/ - \times \div$

## P7 -

- Factor pairs/prime numbers
- Numbers beyond one million
- Rounding to nearest 10,100,1000
- Third decimal place -  $+/ - \times \div$
- Negative numbers
- Multiplying/dividing by 10,100,1000

## Earth and Space

This context will encompass Science; Literacy; Technology/ICT and Art. The primary focus will be on science, which will include:

- To describe the movements of the Sun, Moon and Earth.
- To explore how the rotation of Earth creates day and night.
- To learn about how Earth's tilt creates seasons.
- To learn about the phases of the Moon.
- To discover how theories about our Solar System have changed.
- To investigate the Sun and the Solar System.
- To research planets in the Solar System – size, distance from the Sun, length of day, length of year, temperature, materials from which they are predominately made and the number of moons.
- To research how/why solar and lunar eclipses occur.
- To find out what Stars are and to investigate the constellations.
- To learn about the discovery of the telescope and how it changed astronomy.
- To find out about the early years of space exploration from 1940 to 1970.
- To research the first landing on the moon.
- To investigate some of the ways in which astronauts explore space today – Space X, Mars Rover, Tim Peake -International Space Station.



## Assembly

Our class assembly -**restrictions hopefully being lifted** -will take place on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October**. This assembly will highlight the work we will have done based on our learning about the Earth and Space. More details will follow.

Primary 7/6 will be a year full of challenges, responsibilities, hard work and hopefully fun. This is just a sample of what we hope to cover this term!! Please remember if there are any concerns, don't hesitate to get in touch with me. Any help you can give to the pupils at home is much appreciated.

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