



P7 Curricular News

Class Update

Welcome to our third curricular newsletter which is designed to keep you informed of the curricular activities that your child is covering this term.

I do hope you find this information useful to keep you informed of the intended learning this term.

Please do not hesitate to be in touch if I can support or advise with any aspects of your child's learning

Best wishes,

Mrs Crerar

Dates for your Diary

Friday 11th February Whole school Scotland day

Monday 14th February HOLIDAY

Tuesday 15th February HOLIDAY

Wednesday 16th February Inset Day. School Closed

W/B 21st February Reporting to Parent. Update on children's attainment

Friday 1st April Close for holidays at 2:30pm

Tuesday 19th April **Return for Term 4**

Staff Training

In term 2 our staff focussed on learning more about using digital platforms to support learning and teaching as part of our in-service day. We then focussed on looking at teaching writing using the 8 key principles of writing and a genre based approach. We worked with the authority Coaching and Modelling Officers who delivered this training.

'Mighty Oakers'

Values Champions Letters

Our very first values champion awarded in term 2 was **Summer**.

This nomination was made for being a fabulous member of our class who always follows all of the school values. Summer always focusses well on all learning tasks and has taken on all support when completing extended pieces of writing. She has grown in confidence in her own ability, as well as enjoying working with a larger set of peers.

Class Achievements

A huge well done to the following children who were nominated as Golden pupils throughout term 2:
Karsyn, Eve, Sean, Dylan, Chloe, Isla, Jessica and Summer

At present all of our Golden Pupils can select two friends from their class to attend an individual Golden Café based within the family hub. We are celebrating our Golden pupils at our weekly virtual assemblies.



Curricular Area	Details
<p data-bbox="118 176 430 241">Language and Literacy including French</p> 	<p data-bbox="459 176 1479 271">Reading - This term, we will be continuing to develop our skills in reading comprehension and reciprocal reading. We will be taking part in a whole class novel "Holes" and will be exploring writing techniques and styles that the author has used.</p> <p data-bbox="459 275 1479 465">Writing – This term we will have a strong focus on persuasive and instructional writing. We will be developing our use of persuasive vocabulary and exploring how to evidence our points of view. We will be continuing to work hard to make sure that we punctuate our writing correctly and ensure that we use a range of different connectives. We will also become confident in checking and editing our own work to ensure it meets the success criteria and makes sense.</p> <p data-bbox="459 470 1479 535">Talking and Listening - We will have the opportunity to participate in reciting various Scottish poems, as well as performing these to our peers in our Burns Competition.</p> <p data-bbox="459 539 1479 633">French - This term, Miss McClurg will continue to be teaching us new vocabulary with particular focus on French culture. In Spanish we will be learning about animals and how to check in.</p>
<p data-bbox="156 651 392 716">Mathematics and Numeracy</p> 	<p data-bbox="459 651 1479 804">In mathematics and numeracy this term we will be focusing on fractions, percentage and decimals. We will be creating equivalent fractions, simplifying fractions, multiplying fractions, as well as calculating fractions of quantities. We will be learning to use mental and written methods to find percentages of quantities. We will work with these skills in a problem solving context.</p> <p data-bbox="459 808 1479 902">With Miss McClurg, we will be learning to convert between 12 and 24 hour notation, calculate times using timetables, as well as being able to collect and analyse different types of data.</p>
<p data-bbox="124 916 424 952">Health and Wellbeing</p> 	<p data-bbox="459 916 1479 1003">This term, we will be gaining an understanding of the health benefits that are associated with being active outdoors. We will have the opportunity to participate in outdoor learning activities.</p> <p data-bbox="459 1008 1479 1072">We will be working on our World of Work profile to ensure that we are recording our skills and achievements.</p> <p data-bbox="459 1077 1479 1164">In P.E, the class will work on improving our fitness, as well as gaining skills in how we evaluate our performance. We will also have the chance to participate in team games and learn some Scottish dances.</p>
<p data-bbox="121 1180 427 1216">Other Curricular Areas</p>  <p data-bbox="137 1361 416 1659">Social Studies, Sciences, Technologies and Digital Learning, Religious and Moral Education and Expressive Arts</p> 	<p data-bbox="459 1180 1479 1267">This term, we will be looking at a range of Scottish Literature and planning to hold our own Burns Supper. We will study a range of different poems, comic, ballads, which have been written in Scots. The children have suggested exploring other iconic scots as part of this topic.</p> <p data-bbox="459 1308 1479 1503">We will continue to have a weekly input from Mrs McKendrick from Inverclyde Academy who is leading our learning on the "Cold War". This will allow us to develop our skills in primary and secondary sources of evidence, as well as having an understanding of the impact that the "Cold Wars" has on present day. After, this unit of work is complete, we will be focusing on a series of lessons on "The Titanic". Through these sessions, we are starting to experience how social study lessons are taught in secondary school.</p> <p data-bbox="459 1543 1479 1579">Miss McClurg will be delivering science lessons involving forces and movement weekly.</p> <p data-bbox="459 1606 1479 1671">In RME, we will learn about the meaning of Easter and will develop an understanding of how their own and other's beliefs and values affect their actions.</p> <p data-bbox="459 1675 1479 1740">We will have the opportunity to develop or musical and drama skills as we prepare for celebrating all things Scottish in our Scottish afternoon.</p>
<p data-bbox="153 1794 395 1933">How you can help your child at home/Other Information</p>	<p data-bbox="459 1794 1479 1856">Please ensure your child brings their gym kit to school on: Monday and Thursday Remember no jewellery (particularly ear-rings) on PE days.</p> <p data-bbox="459 1861 1479 1897">Please encourage your child to complete and return their Home Learning.</p> <p data-bbox="459 1901 1479 1924">To help your child with their learning a few simple things that can be done at home are:</p> <ul data-bbox="507 1928 1479 2139" style="list-style-type: none"> • Practising using spelling words in context. • Find other examples of weekly spelling words. • Write a diary to practise up-levelling sentences using interesting vocabulary and a range of punctuation. • Practise times tables using Hit the Button, Sumdog, card games. • Watching a programme or read a passage together and decide on the main idea and supporting detail.

