



P7/6 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,

Mr McShane

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 Parents. 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 had a focus on learning more using our digital platforms to support learning and teaching as part of our in-service day. We then looked at teaching writing using the 8 key principles of writing and a genre based approach. Primary 7-6 also were fortunate enough to work with the authority Coaching and Modelling Officers who delivered some lessons on blue print boards.

'Mighty Oakers'

Values Champions Letters

Our Mighty Oakers' values champion awarded in term 2 was **Aimee-Leigh**.

This nomination was made for being a fabulous new member of our class who always demonstrates the schools values. Also in the lead up to Christmas Aimee demonstrated some fantastic singing skills and put all her effort into her performances.

Class Achievements

A huge well done to the following children who were nominated as Golden pupils throughout term 2:

Lily, Tia, Arran, Kassidy, Peyton, Sophie and Mason

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 1444 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="459 277 1455 465">Writing – This term we will have a strong focus on poems and persuasive 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="459 472 1449 566">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. We will also be taking part in a solo talk.</p> <p data-bbox="459 573 1449 633">French - This term, Mrs Marshall will continue teaching us French, whilst Mr McShane will be teaching Spanish numbers, weather, months and conversational Spanish vocabulary.</p>
<p data-bbox="156 645 392 710">Mathematics and Numeracy</p> 	<p data-bbox="459 645 1471 869">In mathematics and numeracy this term we will be focusing on fractions, percentages 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. With Mrs Marshall, 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="124 880 424 907">Health and Wellbeing</p> 	<p data-bbox="459 880 1471 996">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. 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 1003 1460 1137">In P.E, the class will work on gymnastics, as the COVID restrictions previously prevented us doing this block of learning. The children will also be given the chance to evaluate their own Performance and the performance of their peers. Primary 7-6 will also have the chance to participate and learn Scottish dances.</p>
<p data-bbox="121 1149 427 1176">Other Curricular Areas</p>  <p data-bbox="137 1328 419 1619">Social Studies, Sciences, Technologies and Digital Learning, Religious and Moral Education and Expressive Arts</p>  	<p data-bbox="459 1149 1471 1265">This term, we will be looking at a range of Scottish Literature and on 11th February we intend to host a Burns Supper in school for Primary 6 & 7. We will study a range of different poems, comic, ballads, which have been written in Scots. There will be a focus on poetry, as well as a central focus on Scot's language.</p> <p data-bbox="459 1272 1471 1534">We will continue to have a weekly input from Mrs McKendrick from Inverclyde Academy who is leading our learning on the "Cold War" and some follow up work on Japan and their role during the 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 had 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 and the children will be exposed to this format in preparation for high school.</p> <p data-bbox="459 1570 1471 1630">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 1637 1401 1697">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 1720 395 1861">How you can help your child at home/Other Information</p>	<p data-bbox="459 1720 1343 1780">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 1787 1257 1816">Please encourage your child to complete and return their Home Learning.</p> <p data-bbox="459 1823 1417 1852">To help your child with their learning a few simple things that can be done at home are:</p> <ul data-bbox="507 1859 1444 2078" style="list-style-type: none"> • Practising using spelling words in context. • Find other examples of weekly spelling words. • Write a diary to practise up-leveiling 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.

