

P7/6 Class Newsletter

Whinhill Primary School
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Class News

We can't believe it is the final term! We have been so busy and have lots of fun things to look forward to before the Summer holidays! We will all be taking part in high school induction days and P6 will be meeting their new buddies for next year, as our future P1 pupils have their induction days in the school.

P7 are looking forward to our residential trip to Ardmay and are planning their P7 Prizegiving assembly

Health and Wellbeing

This term, our focus Wellbeing Indicator is Included. We will be exploring what it means to be included and to feel excluded, investigating discrimination and its impact. We will also be having our RSHP lessons (relationships, sexual health and parenthood) with Primary 6s and 7s having different focuses within this.

Literacy

We are going to be developing report writing and discursive writing this term, using a range of interesting topics and real-life contexts to apply our learning. Through this, we will be strengthening our skills of note taking and investigating the difference between facts, opinions, and biased sources. We will be extending our understanding of punctuation, revising direct speech and commas as well as broadening the use of parenthesis, colons and semi-colons. Our class novel is going to be Darwin's Dragons by Lindsay Galvin (linking with our topic work) and we will continue to mature our comprehension skills through this and our small reading groups.

Numeracy

In numeracy, we will be working on gaining more confidence in the 4 number processes of whole, decimal and negative numbers. We will explore square, cube and triangle numbers, as well as identifying and continuing various number patterns. We will also be working on solving simple equations and creating formulas to solve problems. Our maths learning will be based around measure and data handling, using our learning in numeracy to solve problems in these areas.



PE

Our PE days are Wednesday and Friday and our focus of learning is gymnastics. We will be working on balance and flexibility as well as fitness and stamina. As the summer months arrive, we are looking forward to developing team work through group games on our outdoor pitch.

Pupils are reminded that jewellery should be removed, and fake nails are not permitted.

Topic

Our topic this term is the Galapagos Islands. We will be comparing the location, climate, population and ecosystem to Scotland, and researching why this is such an interesting area in the world! We will be learning about the journey and work of Charles Darwin and his discoveries on the islands, as well as the theory of evolution. We can't wait to investigate the amazing creatures that live here! We will also focus on learning for sustainability through looking at the conservation programmes that are so important for the preservation of the area.

Expressive Arts

In music we are going to be learning about rhythm and pitch. We will do this through a range of activities including playing the recorder. In art, we will be focusing on use of various textiles, including weaving, felting and use of clay.

Homework

Monday – Spelling (due Tuesday).

Tuesday – Numeracy (due Wednesday).

Thursday – Reading and question creation (due the following Thursday). Pupils are asked to come prepared with questions for their reading group, to develop understanding of the text as well as dialogic skills.



Thank you for reading our **P7/6 newsletter** and supporting us in our first three terms of learning!

Important Information

- P6 pitch day – Thursday
- P7 pitch day – Friday
- Please ensure pupils have sandshoes/indoor shoes to change into for the school day.

11th – 17th May – Digital Learning Week

19th May – Refugee Week

June – Pride Month

28th - 31st May – P7 trip to Ardmay

21st June – Prizegiving

Please follow our learning journey on X to keep up to date with all the fun experiences we have in **P7/6!**

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