

DREGHORN PRIMARY SCHOOL CLASS NEWSLETTER

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Primary: 7a Teacher: Miss Grant

Term 1 Session 2019-2020

This term we will be learning about the following:

Literacy & English:

This term we will be returning to our literacy circles, first revising higher order reading strategies such as visualising, inferring and predicting before applying these skills to our reading books. We will be working on our reading comprehension skills through close reading passages about the Victorians. Mrs Robertson will be helping us develop grammar skills on a Monday morning. Our topic will offer many varied opportunities for writing such as letters, poetry and newspapers as well as taking inspiration from our current interests.

<u>Numeracy</u> In numeracy, we have begun with the Percentages studying increase and decrease of amounts in percent, the Decimals focusing on algebraic expressions using squared and cubed notation, the Fractions using different forms of multiplication methods and the Whole Numbers are learning to multiply and divide by 10, 100 and 1000. We will continue to build our skills in mental maths every day and solve problems based on our learning on 'word problem Wednesday'.

<u>Mathematics</u> In maths, we have begun the term with the Octagons looking at the area of shapes, the Hexagons focusing on information handling through timetables and the Pentagons will be extending their knowledge of graphs and their features.

<u>Our topic is</u>: Our topic this term will be the Victorians. This will be a historical based topic examining Queen Victoria and the Empire, the life of Victorian children and their schooling, famous and celebrated Victorians, the innovation of industry and inventions and Victorian Christmas traditions we know today.

Our Health and Well-being will focus on: As we become more responsible we will be assessing and managing risk to keep ourselves and others safe and discussing travelling safely.

In PE we will be learning about and practising: Gymnastics with Miss Higgins and Netball with Miss Grant.

In Technologies (including ICT) we will learn: We will also be beginning our glow blogs, detailing our learning which will be an important part of our transition to Greenwood Academy.

In RE we will learn about: The Jewish celebration of Purim, a holiday that commemorates the saving of the Jewish people from Haman.

Expressive Arts: We will be focusing on use of line and colour, already having studied the works of Wassily Kandinsky. We will use our topic as inspiration for drama, music and art as we progress through the term.

Other information: PE days: Monday, Wednesday and Friday

You will be kept informed of any other things which may be happening this term.