Curriculum for Excellence: First Level

What are we learning this term? Term 1 August-October 2022

Context for Learning: The Vikings Mrs Weir and Primary 4

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| **Language and Literacy****Spelling-** All spelling patterns will be taught through active and written spelling strategies. **Grammar-** We will be focusing on parts of speech including nouns and adjectives.**Writing-** We will be looking at different genres of writing including functional and personal. We will be encouraging the children to use VCOP in their writing (vocabulary, connectives, openers and punctuation).**Spanish-**C:\Users\lgibson\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\QGZH8EEO\Spain-flag-map-plus-ultra[1].pngWe will be learning greetings, feelings, weather and introducing vocabulary for pets and animals.  | **Numeracy and Maths**We will be focusing on developing mental maths strategies as well as times table knowledge.**Numeracy topics-*** Number and number processes (addition, subtraction and multiplication)
* Place value (ordering and sequencing numbers, and identifying the value of each digit)
* Estimation and rounding
* Money

**Maths Topic–**Chance and Uncertainty – we will be learning vocabulary to describe the likelihood of an event occurring in everyday situations.  | **Health and Wellbeing (HWB)** * We are learning about being a Rights Respecting School and will be creating our own class charter. We will be learning more about SHANARRI and discussing what we can do to help us reach our potential, as well as learning more about our school vision and values.
* We will also be focusing on social values including being kind, friendly, including others, co-operating and being able to treat other people with respect.
* Each day we will be completing FIT 15. For PE we will be focusing on hockey and gymnastics.
 | **Contexts for Learning**Scandinavia before the Vikings - Daily ScandinavianThis term we will be learning about The Vikings. We will be exploring where they came from, places that they settled in Scotland and how their lives were very different from ours. We will also examine how they travelled, what they wore and play games that the Vikings themselves would have played.  |
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| **Expressive Arts****Art & Design –**We will be completing a variety of art activities linked to our topic and class novel.**Music–** We will be listening to different types of music and responding by discussing our thoughts and feelings. **Drama–** We will be using a variety of drama techniques to develop our use of expression and movement including hot seating and freeze frames.  | **Science and Technology**Our focus for Science this term is sound. We will be learning how sound is produced, how it affects our everyday life, and how to change the pitch of a sound. In Technology we will be learning about internet safety. We will also learn how to create and save word documents, as well as how to use a search engine to find information for a specific purpose. | **Homework**Our homework will be allocated via Seesaw on a Monday and due in on a Friday. It will involve reinforcing the concepts covered in Numeracy and Literacy. There will also be another element, based around another curricular area that we have been focusing on that week.  | **How can you help?*** Encourage your child to read at any opportunity through books, comics, menus, magazines etc.
* Reinforce times tables.
* Names on school clothing.
* Our gym days are a Tuesday and Friday.
* Library Day – Thursday

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At Dykesmains Primary School we are working to Get It Right For Every Child (GIRFEC). This means we are working to support our children to grow develop and reach their full potential. The children are currently looking at the SHANARRI indicators which are Safe, Healthy, Achieving, Nurtured, Active, Respected, Responsible and Included. For more information: <http://www.girfecna.co.uk/>