

# **Elderbank Primary School Home Information**

## **Classbase 9 - Mrs Hannah Term 3 2021-2022**



**Dear Parents and Carers,**

The children from Classbase 9 are really settled in their routines and we're starting to see some wonderful progress in their learning, language skills and social skills.

### **Health and Wellbeing**



Emotional wellbeing and social skills continue to be our main focus but we will also be working more intensively towards our targets (numeracy and literacy as well as health and wellbeing including life skills). We will continue to have PE sessions throughout the week (Monday morning (weather dependent), and Thursday and Friday afternoons) and will continue to focus on playing games, following a simple set of instructions/rules, taking turns and working as a team. We will hopefully begin to take walks in the community again. We will focus lots on outdoor learning and will be planting and looking out for signs of spring emerging.

### **Mathematics**

We'll begin some work on subtraction and understanding numbers and how to sequence bigger numbers. We'll continue to build up familiarity using coins and notes in our shop/post-office corner and during our community visits and will continue learning how to tell the time by thinking about our timetables and daily routines.



### **Literacy**



We will continue to take a total communication approach using lots of speech, questioning and conversation backed up with visuals and written language ensure we can encourage as much language to be used as possible. We will continue to develop reading skills through sight word and phonics blending activities, and I hope to continue to progress our writing skills which have come on so much this term! We are aiming for as much independent writing as possible. I will continue to send home reading books from Wednesday to Tuesday each week. We will continue sharing books each afternoon tied to the season and to our new topic and then will demonstrate our comprehension through writing, drama activities, art and craft and tuff tray activities.

### **Inter-Disciplinary Learning**

Our inter-disciplinary theme this term is 'Scotland and Scottish Culture' but I intend to embed this into an 'Our World' topic so the children build up some understanding of Scotland's place in the world and how other countries differ to us. We might look a little bit at different world languages as our 'O Christmas Tree' song sparked some interest in the fact that other countries use different words for things. Our theme will be embedded into all aspect of the curriculum.

### **Expressive Arts**

As always we will be taking part in lots of different art activities using different materials and, as mentioned before, will be trying out a few drama activities to help us get really involved in the stories we are reading in class. Music comes in to all aspects of our learning (even maths!). Mrs Happs will continue to focus on different instruments and rhythms when she visits on a Wednesday.

### **Diary**



We will continue to keep you updated via 'Seesaw' and always look forward to reading all your replies and comments. It is lovely when the children are able to share with their classmates any pictures from home that have been posted so please continue to do this! We may need to take a break from sending switches home due to Covid-19 restrictions but it has been so lovely to be able to have this very personal interaction with home so we'll get them up and running again as soon as it is safe to do so.

***Mrs Hannah - Class Teacher***