

## Class base 8 - Mrs Murray and Mr Strang Term 2 2023-2024

### Dear Parents and Carers,

We are now all very settled within the room and are all following our daily routines and weekly timetables. In term 2 we will be learning about **Our Earth, Halloween, Bonfire Night, and Christmas**. We will continue to use our art and craft activities and will use these to make things to showcase and display our learning. The Bear Hunt literacy topic was a great success, so we have decided to replicate these activities with a focus on “**Room on the Broom**” by Julia Donaldson.

We will continue to post pupil’s successes onto Seesaw. Please take time to like and comment. A comment is much appreciated and helps us communicate about your child’s learning and wellbeing. It also helps us to chat about things the children like to do at home or when out and about.

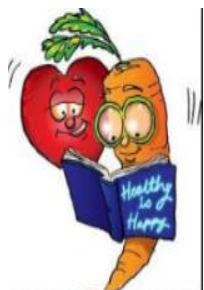


### Literacy

Work will continue to extend each pupil’s skills. This will include work on recognising and forming their own name using magnetic letters, matching individual letters and overwriting these. A variety of materials will be used to encourage mark making. We will try to encourage children’s interest in books and develop reading skills. We will continue to help develop interaction and focus on favourite texts. Reading bedtime stories is a great help in developing these skills.

### Mathematics

In Numeracy, work will continue to focus upon recognition, understanding and formation of numbers. We will learn about shapes and use shapes in play to build, to match and to continue patterns. Outdoor Learning will be used to enhance practical experience of numeracy within active play.



### Health and wellbeing

We continue to enjoy gym sessions where we will be focusing on balancing and rolling, and playing circle games. We will work on staying calm and safe during all activities. Opportunities for Outdoor Learning will continue to be a big part of our week. We will also begin to explore the community around the school, with walks and visits to the forest and park. The children are using stickers on their reward chart each time they achieve a health and wellbeing target. e.g. toothbrushing or personal care.

### Inter-Disciplinary Learning

Cooking and baking will continue to be part of our daily timetable and we will prepare different foods for snack. Children are encouraged to touch, smell and taste different foods. We will continue to explore song and rhythm through Charanga Music. In ICT we will be using iPads to enhance learning in our tray tasks.



### Diary



PE is on a Thursday and Friday. We will keep gym clothes in school.

Thank you for the engagement on Seesaw last term and for your continued support as we work together to achieve the best for each child.

Kind regards,

**Mrs Murray, Mr Strang, Mrs McLuckie, Miss Winters, Mrs Reeder and Mrs Bennison**