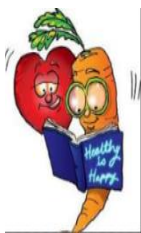


Classbase 8 - Mrs Murray and Mr Strang Term 8 2023-2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a relaxing break. It was lovely to see the boys back in class and ready to learn. We are all enjoying our time within CB8 and are looking forward to Term 3. Our plan for 2024 is to engage more fully with the community around the school so please send a warm jacket, as we will be outside most days. Our topics will include **My Body, Personal Care, Tooth Brushing** and another amazing literacy topic about **Zog** a helpful and friendly dragon, (We have found Julia Donaldson books engage everyone). This term we will have numerous activities inspired by “Zog”, and “Zog and the Flying Doctor”.

Health and wellbeing



Opportunities for Outdoor Learning will be maximised this term and we will be exploring the local community. We will visit shops, parks and woodland areas around our school. The children enjoy updating personal star charts to recognise achievements. The children get stars each time they achieve a personal health and wellbeing target for that day. We love gym and will be developing our ability to sequence rolls and balances to create a short gymnastic routine using mats and low-level apparatus.

Mathematics

We will continue to focus on extending each child’s knowledge of number. This will mirror their individual targets. We will include formation and recognition of numbers. We will learn about shapes and pattern. We will use Outdoor Learning to enhance pupil’s numeracy, this will include trips to the local shops where we will learn more about money.



Literacy



In addition to our work with Zog the Dragon, we will continue to develop individual skills and targets in literacy. Activities will include work on recognising and forming our own name using magnetic letters, and overwriting. We will develop mark making using our whiteboards, smartboard, pens, pencils, chalk and paint. We will promote the children’s interest in books and develop reading skills at each child’s own level. Staff will work individually with each child to help develop their focus and engagement with texts.

Inter-Disciplinary Learning

Outdoor learning will be big part of our week. We will begin to explore the community around the school, with walks and visits to the forest and park. In ICT, we will be using iPads to photograph and record our learning. Cooking and baking will continue to be part of our daily timetable and we will prepare different foods for snack. We encouraged everyone to touch, smell and taste different foods.



Expressive Arts



We enjoy art and craft activities .We will be creating wall displays about Zog using mixed media. We enjoy singing favourite songs in Charanga Music and will be using rhythmic percussion. We will also use dance songs with actions and circle games to encourage everyone to take part. We will continue to explore different textures in art and craft activities and will try to use these to make different things.

Diary

PE will be on a Thursday and Friday. We will keep gym clothes in class.

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to achieve the best for each child. Please continue to respond to our photographs on Seesaw as this really motivate the children and helps you to participate in our learning journey.



Kind regards,

Staff of CB8

Mrs Murray, Mr Strang, Mrs McLuckie, Mrs Reeder and Mrs Bennison.