



The Pioneers Curriculum Outline Term 1

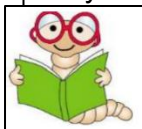
Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! It has been lovely seeing the children after the summer holidays. Everyone is settling into the school routine again and we are enjoying spending time with old and new friends. We are here to help so please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions. I hope this curriculum newsletter will provide you with valuable information about what your child will be learning in the coming term.

Mrs Eldridge (Class Teacher), Mrs Angus (EYP), & Mrs Bogle (EYP)

Health and Wellbeing

Initially, we are focusing on establishing the classroom routines and rules to support the children throughout the day. We have begun eating our lunch through in the main dining hall with 2 other classes. We are working on sitting nicely and developing our social skills. The children continue to be involved in preparing for and making food with a particular focus on mixing, spreading and slicing. Regarding PE, our gym days will be Tuesday and Thursday afternoons this term. We are focusing on team games that require listening and turn taking and getting familiar with gym routines and equipment. We are also learning about the Zones of Regulation, identifying and exploring our emotions and how they make us feel and what steps we can take to regulate our actions.



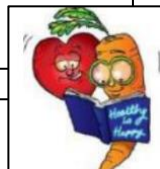
Literacy

We will continue to enhance children's communication, writing and reading comprehension skills using a variety of tools. We are exploring sounds, phonics, Colourful Semantics, and Environmental Print and visuals to create simple sentences. We will encourage our love of books by reading and engaging in different activities including ordering, retelling, and sequencing. We will improve fine motor skills through activities including jigsaws, Lego building, clothes pegs, lace threading, etc.



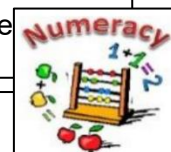
Interdisciplinary Learning

We are delving into the fascinating topic of "Houses and Communities". We will dig into stories such as the Three Little Pigs, Homes, and Belonging to explore different types of homes from traditional Scottish dwellings to modern apartments and eco-friendly houses. We will discover how people work together to create safe and thriving neighbourhoods and explore communities around the world. We will explore the impact of technology: understand how technology has changed the way we live and work.



Numeracy and Maths

We are exploring the world of Patterns and Shapes. We will identify and describe patterns: repeating sequences in numbers, shapes, and objects, explore different shapes. We will study 2D and 3D shapes, their properties, and how to identify them and use their knowledge of patterns and shapes to solve puzzles and challenges. Pupils will continue to improve their number and number processes during one-to-one inputs focusing on adding and subtracting strategies and bigger and smaller



Reminders!

Outdoor Learning and Community Visits - We will take opportunities to go outdoors when possible. Please make sure students have some warm clothes at school as the weather starts to cool. As well, we will soon be starting visits to the Café and practising safety out with the school grounds.

Nut Free School – We are a nut free school. We have pupils and members of staff with allergies within our classroom, please do not bring snacks with nuts to school (hazelnut/ Nutella chocolate spread, Snickers, Buenos, etc.) Thank you!

