

Class base 8 - Mrs Murray and Mr Strang Term 1 2024-2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are really pleased with how the children are settling in to their new class and it has been fabulous getting to know them all better over the past few weeks. This term our topics will be 'The Highway Rat' by Julia Donaldson, 'Weather and Seasons' and 'Homes and Communities'.

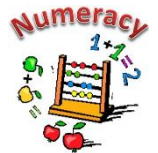
Health and wellbeing



We continue to enjoy the gym hall. Work will continue on developing general fitness with a focus on having fun with friends. We will work on staying calm and safe during transitions and on building relationships with others. Opportunities for Outdoor Learning will be maximised whenever possible and we will enjoy exploring the local community. We will continue to cook/ bake and children will be encouraged to touch, smell or taste different things.

Mathematics

In Numeracy, work will continue to focus on extending each child's knowledge of numbers in accordance with their individual targets. This will include recognition, understanding and formation of numbers. We will work on extending our knowledge of colours and naming 2D/3D shapes. Outdoor Learning will be used to enhance practical experience of numeracy/ mathematics where appropriate.



Literacy



In Literacy, work will continue to extend individual skills in accordance with each child's LIPS targets. This will include work on recognising and forming individual letters and following tracks using various writing implements.. Our daily story time will continue to encourage children's interest in books and help develop reading skills. We will also work on phonics and word recognition.

Inter-Disciplinary Learning

Outdoor Learning will continue to be a big part of our week. We will experience different types of sensory play both indoors and outside. We are developing a garden outside our class. In ICT we will explore interactive games on the Smartboard with a focus on turn taking. In science we will experiment with floating and sinking using different materials.



Expressive Arts

We will explore music mainly through Charanga Music and this will include interactive songs and using musical instruments to play as a band. Action songs and dances will be used to develop children's self-expression and to have fun with others. Exploration of various materials and textures in art will continue and we will extend the variety of materials used.



Diary

PE will be on a Monday and a Thursday. We will keep gym clothes in school unless we feel that they get too small. We look forward to working alongside you and your child this year and will continue to communicate mainly through Seesaw. If you need more clarification or want to share news or photos with us, we would love to hear from you.



Kind regards,

Mrs Murray, Mr Strang, Mrs McLuckie, Miss Clinton .and Mrs Reeder