

Classbase 8 - Mrs Murray and Mr Strang Term 3 2024-2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a relaxing break. It was lovely to see the children back in class and ready to learn. We are all enjoying our time in CB8 and are looking forward to a busy Term 3. Our plan for 2025 is to engage more fully with the community around the school so please send a warm jacket as we plan to be outside most days. Our topics will include Scotland and another amazing literacy topic based on 'The Katie Morag' stories. We have found that book based topics grab and hold the children's attention.

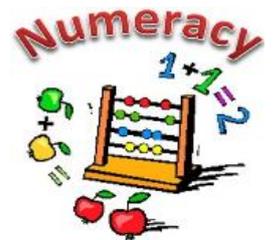
Health and wellbeing



We will visit shops, parks and woodland areas around our school and opportunities for Outdoor Learning across the curriculum will be maximised this term. Each child has personal wellbeing targets and they enjoy updating individual star charts to recognise personal achievements. We love going to gym and can create a short gymnastic routine using mats and low-level apparatus. This term we will continue to learn more circle games and develop ball skills. We share our gym times with Classbase 9 which has helped widen our social interactions and friendship groups.

Mathematics

Pupils will be supported to develop and extend their personal numeracy skills. Our numeracy work will continue to focus on extending each child's knowledge of numbers in accordance with their individual targets. 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. We will provide practical activities involving measurement and time. Whenever possible our mathematics will be linked to real life situations and life skills.



Literacy



Our daily story time will continue to encourage children's interest in books and develop reading skills. In Literacy, each pupil is working hard developing the individual skills in accordance with their agreed LIPs targets. This will include work on recognising words and improving our writing skills. We will continue to develop mark making and letter formation.

Inter-Disciplinary Learning

We will use various ICT games on the smartboard. We love top marks and other interactive games that support learning. We use the drawing tools to assist with handwriting and letter formation, and pencil control. We will continue to use photographs on the iPad to record our learning. In Science, we will investigate energy and electricity.



Expressive Arts

We will continue to use The Charanga Music programme to help build confidence in all areas. We will also enjoy weekly input from Ed Holmes who is a music specialist from Drake music. He is developing our skills with percussion instruments to play as a class band. We enjoy retelling our class stories within drama and by sequencing picture cards. We will continue to develop our skills in art and design related to our topics.

Diary

Library will continue on Tuesday afternoons. PE will be on a Monday and a Thursday and we will keep gym clothes in school unless they need laundered. We will continue to communicate through Seesaw. If you need clarification, wish to share news or have any concerns please message us using the app. We love to hear from you.



Kind regards,

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