



Elderbank Primary School

P4/3 Curriculum Outline - Term 2



Welcome back P4/3!

I hope you have all had a lovely October week and are looking forward to an exciting term ahead.

Literacy

Reading - We will be moving on to a new text - 'The Twits'. We will complete weekly comprehension tasks and activities which focus on a variety of SHORS strategies such as summarising, inferring, predicting and visualising as well as taking part in 'book talk' sessions to widen our understanding and consider differing opinions.

Writing - We will use our PM resource to support us when exploring and writing a variety of genres, including description and information report writing. We will consider the features of these texts, work together to construct shared texts before moving on to independent writing.

Talking and Listening - We will develop our listening and note taking skills, testing our comprehension of what we have listened to through questioning and responding. We will utilise the class randomiser tool to encourage all children to contribute to group and class discussions in order to get a wide range of ideas and opinions.

Additional Information

Homework will be issued every Monday and should be returned on a Thursday. Homework information will be given out and explained in class. Outdoor Learning will take place on a **Tuesday** so please consider suitable footwear.

Numeracy & Mathematics

In numeracy, we will be focusing on estimation and rounding. The children will learn how to round numbers to the nearest ten and hundred and apply this as a mental strategy to assist with estimation problems. We will be comparing numbers using the 'greater than' and 'less than' symbols and continue to develop our mental strategies to solve addition and subtraction calculations. We will also be learning times tables facts to help us to solve multiplication problems.

Beyond number, we will be identifying, continuing and creating patterns using shapes and symbols, extending this to explaining number patterns and sequences.

We will continue to use the 'Thinking Classroom' approach when solving problems where we work collaboratively with our peers to deepen mathematical knowledge and thinking skills.

Health and Wellbeing

Our PE days are **Thursday** and **Friday**. This term, we will be developing our gymnastics skills to create movement patterns and sequences. We will also be developing team building skills during rugby and netball games.

As part of Health and Wellbeing, we will continue to explore themes of friendship, kindness and building positive relationships within our school community and beyond. We will also learn how our food and recreational choices can help to contribute towards a healthy lifestyle.

Topic

We are approaching the end of our novel study based on 'Charlotte's Web' and will soon be moving on to a new topic about Machines. We will learn about the categories of simple machines and how they can be combined to form complex machinery. We will investigate the many ways in which machines and automation can help us in our day to day lives.

Art - We will use a range of media to design a machine that could help us to complete a task.

STEM - We will construct simple machines using a variety of construction materials.