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## Primary 7

We have been doing lots of great things in Primary 7 and are looking forward to what the winter months will bring. In the coming weeks we will be taking part in the Rotary Christmas card competition, making items to sell at the school Christmas Fayre and some of us will be practising for our visit to the Townhead Fellowship Christmas Celebration. This year we will be going on Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup> of December, (venue to be confirmed) nearer the time your child will be asked to choose what they would like to eat. We are able to accommodate dietary requirements.

LiteracyWriting

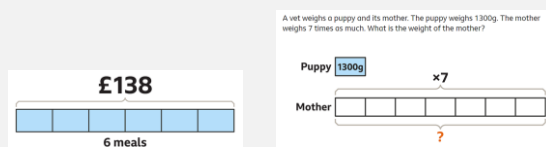
This term in literacy, we will be focussing on writing exposition texts. The purpose of an exposition is to argue for or against a topic and persuade the reader to take that point of view. For example, we will be writing a piece to present the argument that fireworks should be banned. In our writing we will need to state what our argument is, give facts and information on the subject and use persuasive language throughout.

Reading

We have finished our class novel the Nowhere Emporium and will now be looking at work from the Author Michael Morpurgo. We will be looking at his style of writing and comparing it to that of others.

Numeracy

This term in numeracy, we will be focussing on using Bar Modelling to solve word problems. Bar modelling involves the use of diagrams to work out what working should be done to solve a problem. Below is an example of what a bar model looks like.



The squares will be focussing on multiplying and dividing decimals, calculating 10% of numbers and changing an amount in a currency to pounds. The triangles will be working on subtraction and using money. In mathematics, we will be calculating averages and learning to use scale.

Other Curricular Areas

Our new topic is WW2 we will be learning about:

- the events leading to the outbreak of World War II.
- when, where and why children were evacuated in World War II
- rationing during World War II and how people adapted to deal with reduced product availability
- the importance of the role of women during World War II.
- the events of the Holocaust in World War II.

P.E

This term in P.E we will be taking part in gymnastics lessons. We will be focussing on performing a sequence of movements with a clear beginning, middle and end. For example, a cartwheel followed by a forward roll. In December we will be learning some social dances including the Gay Gordons, Canadian Barn Dance and Virginia Reel. We know the children will be so excited about this! ☺ *Our gym days are Monday and Wednesday. Please remind your child to pack their shorts, change of trainers and plasters if required. Outdoor shoes shouldn't be worn indoors.*

What you can do to help your child

We have noticed that many children in class still need to learn their times table facts. Some are still reliant on times table squares. Please encourage your child to work on these at home.

Let's hear from our pupils...

In Literacy we have been learning about inference. For example, we have been looking at pictures and trying to discover out what is happening.

In November most of us will be going to Arran. We are looking forward to go and have the adventure of a lifetime.

In numeracy we have been focusing on division. We have been dividing numbers like  $598 \div 3$ .

In ICT we have been using Scratch to design and code our own video games.

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