



Primary 6/5 Term 2



Literacy



This term, we will focus on non-fiction reading skills. The children will identify the different features of fiction and non-fiction texts and will learn about the difference between facts and opinions. In writing, the children will write one more recount before focusing on exposition texts; these will give the children opportunities to write persuasive texts that offer their own points of view on a range of issues. Alongside their writing, the children will complete related grammar activities such as identifying different clauses within sentences and using sensing and modal verbs to add further detail to their writing. There will also be opportunities to develop listening & talking skills during group discussion tasks across the curriculum.

Numeracy

All groups will develop a range of Number Talks using the four operations. They will extend their understanding of addition and subtraction strategies as well as learning some new multiplication strategies too.

All groups will work on rounding, coordinates and the order of operations as well as identifying the properties of 2D & 3D shapes. Miss Canning will continue to develop maths skills related to the concept of Time on Fridays.

All groups will continue to practise their times tables using the Sumdog app with a weekly challenge provided for each group.

Expressive Arts

Art - Mrs. Corkindale will work on colour combination & paint techniques as well as helping the children make crafts for the Christmas Fayre.

Music - The children will learn some new hymns and songs for the Christmas Concert.

Drama - They will use role-play to explore issues raised in Health & Wellbeing.

Health & Well-Being



We will continue to use our Bounceback mental health programme to explore different ways to cope with challenging situations. During Anti-bullying Week in November, we will focus on identifying ways to deal with bullying behaviour. Gym days will continue to be Wednesdays & Fridays. The focus this term will be gymnastics & social dance. Please ensure you have a full gym kit (including a change of shoes) and a water bottle on gym days.



Religious Education



As we approach the end of October, we continue to pray the Rosary, reacquainting ourselves with the Mysteries and praying for our own special intentions. During November (the month of the Holy Souls), we remember all of our loved ones who have died. We celebrate the feast of All Saints as well as learning the 'Eternal Rest' Prayer. Throughout Advent, we shall revisit the Nativity story and some of the symbols associated with Christmas.

Inter Disciplinary Learning - Europe

This term, we will compare the lifestyle and culture of people in Scotland with those in Europe. We will locate key geographical features on a map including mountains, rivers and capital cities. Our research will also involve exploring some famous European landmarks. We will compare the weather patterns between Scotland and other countries in Europe as well as doing some of our own personal research about a European country of our choice. The children will have the opportunity to present their findings in group presentations.

Science

Mrs Corkindale will teach the class about electricity; they will design and build a variety of electrical circuits for different purposes as well as building simple batteries to demonstrate their knowledge of energy transformation. They will also do some work on light and colour mixing too.