

Primary Seven



Health and Wellbeing:

Primary Seven will continue to uphold our agreed class charter to ensure that our classroom remains a Rights-Respecting space that promotes our values of *Faith*, *Compassion*, *Ambition* and *Respect*. The children will be given many opportunities to be ambassadors for these values through our Christmas Nativity performance and our fundraising endeavours for our Titanic trip. Children will begin to explore transition more fully – experiencing classroom visits from the Largs Academy S1 team, as well as visits to our associated high schools – St. Matthew's and Largs Academy.

This term, we will continue to explore Emotions, and also Humour with 'Bounce Back' and other resources. We will also mark 'Anti-Bullying Week.' Our P.E. will focus on hockey and social dance.

Numeracy/Maths:

This term, children will explore the concepts of negative numbers and algebra. We will then learn about the properties of 2D and 3D shapes, as well as their uses in the wider environment. Alongside this, we will also cover symmetry. The four operations $(+, -x \text{ and } \div)$ will be an ongoing focus.

Homework will be given out **weekly**, and your ongoing support with completion of this is greatly appreciated. Children should access Sumdog or Topmarks regularly to revise concepts and to increase their mental maths agility. Focus on times tables!

Interdisciplinary Learning:

Our topic this term will be War and Conflict, with a focus on World War II. We will learn about the countries involved in it, as well as some of the reasons behind it. We will also explore how the war affected life on the home front. In addition, we will research some of the famous battles and learn a little about the weapons and propaganda used by each side. Children will then work in groups to compare and contrast this conflict with other wars. Throughout the topic, we will explore primary and secondary sources.

Literacy:

Children will develop their reading skills through tasks related to various fiction texts such as PM levelled books, short stories, imaginative poems, as well as topic-related non-fiction texts. We will have a particular focus on *inference* – exploring this through stories, poems, songs and short films.

We will complete our PM Writing focuses on 'Explanation' and 'Recount' texts. We will also look at 'Narrative' texts. This will be done through a rich, cross-curricular approach.

Spelling will continue to be taken from the 'Single Word Spelling Test' lists. We will be using a range of active spelling strategies to practise these words and will be learning to identify the patterns that help us decode and spell unfamiliar/tricky words. There will be weekly homework.

Science:

On Thursdays, the children will work with Mrs Corkindale to learn more about how the vital cardiovascular, digestive and skeletal systems function within the human body. We will apply this knowledge to complete an explanation text.

Religious Education:

This term, we will learn more about influential saints, with a particular focus on St. Andrew. We will also deepen our understanding of The Nativity story and its symbolism. P7 will have the opportunity to participate in our wonderful annual 'Carols by Candlelight' performance at the Church on Nativity night. We cannot wait to welcome you all to this special event! (Tues 10th Dec!)

