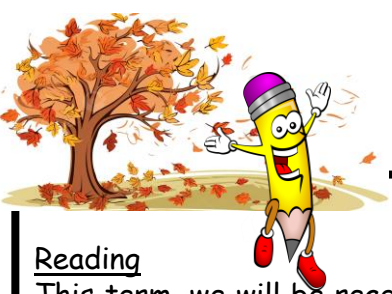


# Primary 5/6 Newsletter



## Literacy

### Reading

This term, we will be reading *The Jungle Book* as part of our class topic. Through this story we will explore the different themes throughout. Our focus will be on deepening comprehension and learning to organise ideas to better understand what we read. We will also work on reading with fluency, expression and confidence. We have been invited to Dalry Library to meet author Maura McRobbie.

### Writing

This term our focus will be Descriptive writing, closely linked to our class topic. We will be learning how to use exciting vocabulary and powerful description in our writing. We will build on our VCOP skills, using paragraphs and clear layout to organise ideas and make writing engaging and easy to read.

### Talking and Listening

Pupils will focus on speaking with appropriate volume and pace, depending on their audience. Will be learning to use gesture, expression and emphasis to make our speaking more engaging and confident. They will present research on their Topic to others through group work activities and class presentations. Pupils will work on identifying similarities and differences in texts and justifying opinions.

## Religious Education

We will learn about God's precious gift of life and exploring our God-given role in the world. We will reflect on God's relationship with us and others, explore Biblical stories of creation and learn how these guide us today. We will also discover how the Holy Spirit strengthens our faith and the faith of all Saints and how Mary helps us grow closer to God through prayer. As we approach Advent, we will also focus on the Christmas story.

Welcome back to Primary 5/6. I hope you all had a lovely October break! This term is always a busy one, especially with all the events and activities planned on the lead up to Christmas. Please see our school newsletter for more information and dates.

I look forward to this magical time of year!



Miss Speirs



## Heath and Wellbeing

### P.E

P.E days are on **Tuesdays and Thursdays** and our focus this term is Ball Skills with a focus on Hockey. Can pupils please bring their **full P.E. Kit everyday** as our P.E slots may change if the hall is being used. P.E kits can be left in class. On a Thursday P.E will take place outdoors, weather permitting, so a waterproof jacket is essential.

### Mental, Emotional, Social Wellbeing

We are continuing to learn about the UN Convention of the Rights of the Child (UNCRC). We will continue to explore our strengths values and goals through the Tree of Knowledge resource. These lessons will encourage pupils to build confidence, develop a positive mindset and recognise what makes them unique.



## Maths and Numeracy

In Numeracy this term, we will be focusing on the 3, 6 and 9 times table to build confidence in both multiplication and division. We will also be learning how to multiply and divide two digit numbers by a single digit, using a range of mental strategies and written methods choosing the method that best suits the numbers in each problem. Our Maths focus will be on Money, we will be learning about the idea of profit and loss, how to round money to the nearest unit and how to add and subtract amounts using both mental and written strategies.



## Topic

This term Primary 5/6 have chosen to explore the topic of the rainforest. As a class, we will be learning where rainforests are found around the world and locating them on maps. Pupils will investigate the range of plants, animals, and their adaptations, as well as learn about the people who live in rainforests and how they depend on their environment. We will also be thinking about sustainability and how we can help protect these precious habitats for the future.



Happy Birthday!

Grayce, Keenan, Elena  
Jamie, Ezra and Arra.



We hope you have a great birthday!