

Primary 3/4 Newsletter

Literacy



Reading

This class novel to begin this term is another fabulous story by Roald Dahl. 'George and his Marvellous Medicine' was voted by pupils as the next novel they wanted to explore. Pupils will engage with linked activities (including drama) to support their literacy development with the novel, as well as with their own reading books. They will also continue to be encouraged to read for enjoyment with their own personal choice of book.

Writing (including Talking and Listening)

Pupils have been engaging well with our new writing framework 'Talk for Writing'. They are learning and retelling texts, enabling them to internalise language structures and sequences, before creating their own texts independently. We are beginning the year, focusing on narratives.

Pupils will also be learning Scottish vocabulary as part of our topic, enabling them to create texts that include Scots language as well as learning songs and poetry.



Modern Languages

The class are enjoying developing their Spanish vocabulary, and will continue being taught this term by Miss Burke. They will begin this term learning vocabulary related to family as well as talking about themselves.

It is term 3 already and year 2026 has begun! P3/4 has a busy January to begin the year, especially as we have our Celebration of Learning, a Scottish Assembly and have a small role to play in the P7's Burns Supper.

Please support your child to learn and practise their Scottish poem and song.

If you have any questions on any aspect of your child's education, please do not hesitate to contact me at St Palladius.

Kind regards, Mrs Brown

Heath and Wellbeing



P.E

Our P.E days this term (until further notice) will be on **Mondays and Tuesdays**. On Mondays, senior pupils from St Matthew's will be continuing to develop the pupils' skills in basketball and football. On Tuesdays, pupils will be learning basic ball skills that include: football, rugby, volleyball and basketball. Please remember to ensure that your child brings a PE kit to school on these days, especially appropriate footwear, in order that they can fully participate and benefit from the lessons.

Mental, Emotional, Social Wellbeing

We will continue to focus on the Treehouse resource as our vehicle for developing our social and health well-being. This term we will focus on the importance of nature in personal growth and well-being, as well as self-regulation and mindfulness.

Maths and Numeracy



In numeracy, pupils will be completing the operation of division before moving on to reading and writing fractions, using a variety of resources. Please continue to encourage your child to practise their times tables to support their learning. In mathematics, they have moved on to 'Measure' involving estimating and measuring using different units of measure. Pupils will also collect, display and interpret information using a variety of graphs and charts in 'Information Handling'.

Topic



Pupils will complete Scientists topic and prepare for their Celebration of Learning at the end of month. They will also begin their new topic 'Scottish Myths and Legends' in which they will learn about many myths in Scotland including Nessie, the Kelpies and the Selkies. The topic will enable them to learn more about geographical, historical and cultural aspects of Scotland as well as providing opportunities for them to be individually creative.



Happy Birthday!

Cara – January
Diego – February



We hope you have a great birthday!