



Our Class Newsletter

Term 1 : Primary 4



Firstly, I hope you had a wonderful summer break and that this newsletter finds you and your family well. Primary Four have had a great start to the session as they transition to base 2. I am really excited about the year ahead and I look forward to meeting you all soon.



Reminders

Our P.E. days will be on a **Wednesday** and a **Thursday**. Please remember to bring your P.E. kit to get changed into. On P.E. days, please ensure that earrings are not worn to school as jewellery should be removed and hair should be tied back, in order to participate safely.



Numeracy and Maths

Primary 4 have been learning about shape. They will also be learning about the different units to measure length and are enjoying using rulers to measure real life objects. Later in the term, we will move on to measuring weight and the capacity of containers. The whole class will focus on place value, revising key concepts in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Miss McGowan will be teaching problem solving on a weekly basis.



Literacy

Primary 4 have chosen to read 'How to Train Your Dragon' as a class novel. They will experience a variety of reading comprehension activities to check the understanding of what they read. Groups will regularly read in class to improve their fluency and vocabulary. In writing, our focus will be on narrative. The class will continue to improve the overall presentation of writing during twice weekly handwriting lessons. Spelling patterns will be revised on a daily basis.

Across the Curriculum



Primary 4 have used their pupil voices to tell me what they are interested in learning about. The most popular suggestion was 'Vikings' and this will be a stimulus in various areas across the curriculum.

We will be focusing on having a 'Growth Mindset' when faced with a challenge and review strategies linked to the Zones of Regulation to support this. The children will enjoy a range of learning experiences in the STEAM Room on a Thursday.



RE/Health and Wellbeing

In Health and Wellbeing, our focus will be on ball games including tennis. We will also explore emotions and the weekly school values. The class will learn about Bible stories and will begin learning about the sacrament of Confirmation. We will be preparing for the school's monthly masses during music, as we learn new hymns.

Misc.



On a Wednesday we will enjoy learning experiences in the polytunnel. On a Tuesday, Miss McGowan will cover Spanish, Health and Wellbeing and also Problem Solving in Numeracy. This year, Primary 4 will take on the responsibility of being the 'Reading Schools Committee' as we work towards our next award.