



Our Class Newsletter



Term 1 : Primary 7

Welcome back to school! I hope you all had a wonderful summer. Below, you'll find details about what we'll be exploring and working on this term. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch - Miss McDonald ☺



Reminders

Our P.E. days are **Tuesdays** and **Wednesdays**, so please ensure your child brings their P.E. kit on those days. We will be using the gym hall each week and, whenever the weather allows, we will head outdoors to stay active and enjoy the playground. For homework, spelling and reading tasks are sent home every Monday in the jotters and should be handed in by Friday. Scrapbook Maths activities will be sent home every two weeks to give some extra practice in a fun way.



Numeracy and Maths

In Numeracy, our main focus will be on place value. Primary 7 will be working with whole numbers up to 1 million, developing their skills in reading, writing, and working with these numbers. We will then move on to explore decimal fractions and negative numbers through a variety of engaging tasks. To support this learning, we will use a range of active learning strategies and games.

In Maths, Primary 7 will continue to build on their understanding of 2D and 3D shapes. They will take part in practical investigations, use mathematical vocabulary, and create their own models of more complex 3D shapes.



Literacy

In Writing, Primary 7 will focus on creating clear and well-structured narrative texts. Pupils will learn to begin their stories effectively, organise their ideas logically, use descriptive language to bring characters and settings to life, and include key details to make their narratives engaging and understandable. They will also reflect on their work using success criteria, helping them edit and improve their writing with confidence.

In Reading, our class novel this term is *Divided City* by Theresa Breslin. This engaging story explores themes of friendship, rivalry, and understanding across cultural and religious divides. Throughout our study, pupils will discuss key themes, explore the characters and how they develop, consider the historical and social context, and participate in a range of activities designed to deepen their comprehension and critical thinking skills.

Across the Curriculum



This term, Primary 7 will be exploring the topic of prehistoric people. We will investigate how they lived, the tools and shelters they used, and the ways they hunted and gathered food. Learning will be supported through a variety of interactive activities, including group projects, presentations, and creative art tasks. Learners will also watch videos and use a wide range of books to deepen their understanding of prehistoric life and the daily experiences of these early communities.

Our Spanish language skills will be improved this term by learning new vocabulary for classroom nouns, commands in the school and animals.



RE/Health and Wellbeing

In RE, Primary 7 will continue their journey towards the Pope Francis Faith Award. Pupils will take part in activities centred on the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, exploring how each gift can help them grow in faith. Through discussions and reflections, they will be encouraged to understand and develop these virtues in their daily lives.

In P.E., the focus will be on tennis and athletics. In tennis, pupils will work on serving, volleying, and movement skills to improve their technique and performance. In athletics, they will practise techniques for jumping and throwing, focusing on proper form to enhance performance in different events.



Rights Respecting Schools

As we begin the new school year, we have been learning about our Rights and how they apply in our daily lives. Using this, we created a Classroom Charter to help make our classroom a safe, happy, and respectful place.

Through their committees, pupils will have the opportunity to exercise their rights under Article 13, which allows them to express their ideas and opinions. They will work with pupils across the school in activities that encourage everyone to be heard and contribute.