



# Our Class Newsletter

Term 3: Primary 7



Welcome back to school, we hope you have all had a lovely Christmas break. We are all looking forward to an action packed term.



## Reminders

Our usual P.E. days are **Tuesday and Wednesday**. Please ensure your child brings their P.E. kit to school on these days to get changed into. We will use the gym hall each week and, whenever possible, make use of the playground to stay active and explore the outdoor environment. During January, pupils should also bring their P.E. kit on **Thursdays**, as there will be rugby sessions taking place. Please ensure P.E. kit is available on **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday** during this period, before returning to our usual routine. Just a reminder that spelling and reading homework is issued every **Monday** in jotters and should be returned by **Friday** of the same week. Scrapbook Maths activities will continue to be issued **fortnightly**.



## Numeracy and Maths

Primary 7 will be focusing on fractions, revising how to convert between mixed number and improper fractions, simplifying fractions, and exploring the links between fractions, decimals and percentages through real-life contexts such as money and measurement.

Later in the term, learning will move to equations and expressions, where pupils will apply the four operations to solve problems involving unknown values. This will be developed through problem-solving, hands-on activities and collaborative tasks.

There will also be a focus on angles and co-ordinates. Learners will measure and calculate angles in 2D shapes and plot points on a four-quadrant grid. These concepts will be reinforced through practical and outdoor learning activities, including map work, navigation and problem-solving tasks that link learning to real-life situations.



## Literacy

In Writing, Primary 7 will be learning how to create clear and engaging information reports. Learners will focus on structuring their writing effectively, using well-organised paragraphs and logical sequencing of ideas. They will develop a range of note-taking skills, including bullet points, mind maps and keywords, to gather and organise information.

Pupils will also work on using appropriate vocabulary, facts and explanations to make their reports informative and impactful. Topics from our class novel will be used to support and enrich this learning.

In Reading, the class will continue their novel study of War Horse, which was selected by the learners in Term 2. Pupils will engage in activities to deepen their understanding of the text, including group discussions, answering questions about key events and themes, and summarising chapters. They will use context clues to explore unfamiliar vocabulary and make connections between the novel and their own experiences.

Learners will also be reading, discussing and rehearsing a range of Scots poetry in preparation for the Burns Showcase on 30th January.

## Across the Curriculum



In Term 3, Primary 7 will continue to focus on Self-Directed Learning (SDL). Pupils are encouraged to choose a topic that sparks their curiosity and take ownership of their learning journey. This project will help them develop key meta-skills such as goal-setting, planning, and time management. Along the way, they will practise reflecting on their progress, staying motivated, and identifying next steps to improve their learning. By exploring their chosen topics, pupils will strengthen critical thinking, problem-solving, and reflection skills. This approach promotes independence, boosts confidence, and equips learners to manage their learning effectively both now and in the future.

In Modern Languages, Primary 7 will continue building their Spanish vocabulary, focusing on everyday topics such as clothes, sports, and hobbies. Through engaging activities like role-play and interactive games, they will practise communicating confidently in Spanish about familiar subjects, making language learning both practical and enjoyable.



## RE/Health and Wellbeing

Primary 7 will explore the season of Lent, learning about the importance of repentance, prayer, and self-reflection. They will study stories from the Bible, focusing on Jesus' time in the desert, and consider how these lessons can guide their own actions. Pupils will also take part in activities preparing for Easter, reflecting on themes of sacrifice, renewal, and resurrection.

This term, pupils will develop skills in gymnastics and badminton, focusing on balance, coordination, footwork, and shot accuracy. They will also have the opportunity to take part in rugby sessions with Ardrossan Accies, working on teamwork, communication, ball-handling skills, and overall fitness in fun, active sessions.



## Rights Respecting Schools

This term, P7 will continue to explore children's rights, thinking about how each Article affects their everyday lives. We will be looking closely at Children's Mental Health Week in February, giving the pupils opportunities to talk about their feelings, think about ways to stay positive, and support each other. We will also mark Safer Internet Day, discussing how to use technology safely and kindly. These activities will help the children understand their rights, take responsibility for their actions, and think about how they can make a positive difference in their classroom and community.