



Primary 4 Class Newsletter

Term 1 August – November 2025



LITERACY

SPELLING - Active Literacy spelling resources will be used to enable children to spell commonly used words.

WRITING – We will be writing a variety of texts including recounts, exposition and explanation texts.

READING - PM fiction and non-fiction books will be used to develop literacy skills, with follow-up work to reinforce knowledge and understanding of reading.

TALKING AND LISTENING – We will be using a range of resources including SHORs, Oracy and Topic work to enhance Talking and Listening.

Ideas to support Literacy at home

- Encourage your child to read a wide variety of different genres including fiction and non-fiction.
- You could join the local library.

NUMERACY AND MATHS

Number & Number Processes - Place Value up to 10 000.

Estimating & Rounding – Rounding three digit numbers to the nearest 10 and 100.

Properties of shape including 2D shape – Investigating quadrilaterals, 3D shape – prisms and pyramids.

Addition and Subtraction – using three digit numbers with standard written methods. Mental addition and subtraction strategies within 100.

Expressions and Equations - using greater than, less than, equal to and not equal to.

Time – how many day in a month, year, understanding a variety of calendars and timetables.

Ideas to support Numeracy at home

Practise number bonds to ten and 2,3,4,5 and 10 times tables.

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

We will be exploring that there are factors that can positively and negatively affect how we feel e.g. sleep, change and loss, worries, friendships, family relationships, state of health etc.

In P.E. we will be enhancing our skills in badminton and gymnastics. Our P.E. days are **Tuesdays and Thursdays**. Please ensure your child has a full P.E. kit, labelled with their name, including t-shirt, shorts or joggers and indoor gym shoes or trainers. All jewellery must be removed by your child, Plasters or tape may be used to cover earrings that cannot be removed.

IDL (INTERDISCIPLINARY LEARNING)

This term our Topics will be Discover Irvine and Marymass and Scottish Inventors. We will be learning about the history of Marymass including Mary Queen of Scots, The Carters Society, The Eglinton Tournament and the importance of Irvine to Robert Burns. If you have any connection to Marymass that your child could share with the class that would be appreciated. As part of the topic we will be making Marymass floats. Any shoe boxes or cereal boxes would be greatly appreciated. For Scottish Inventors we will be investigating John Logie Baird, Sir Alexander Fleming and Alexander Graham Bell. We will learn about the impact of their inventions on the wider world.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Dates for the diary:

Monday 22nd September: IN SERVICE DAY, school closed to pupils.

W/C 29th September: boxes to be handed into class.

Tuesday 7th October: Badminton Big Hit at The Portal, selected pupils only.

Friday 21st, Monday 24th November: Holiday

Tuesday 25th November: IN SERVICE DAY, school closed to pupils.