

Primary 4/3 Class Newsletter

**September
2020**

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Welcome back! I hope you all had a great Summer break and had the opportunity to relax over the holidays despite the uncertainty going on at the minute. I understand it probably feels strange to be back with all of the new measures in place but the children are already working very hard and adapting to the new school environment. I am hopeful that it will be a good year ahead for us all in P4/3.

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDY

We are investigating Spain this term and the children are keen to find out more topic about life in Spain. We will be looking at Spanish culture and traditions. I think it will be very interesting as it is a country nearby, as well as offering opportunities to explore the similarities and differences between Spain and Scotland.

Literacy

Throughout the course of this term we will read a variety of texts, both fiction and non-fiction texts. We are also continuing work on the P1-3 North Lanarkshire strategies and the P4 literacy programme within spelling and reading. We will continue to look at Grammar and Comprehension in class during a session each week which helps children in both reading and writing. We are not giving reading books home just now, however, the children are still being encouraged to read whenever possible and practise spelling at home when they can.

In writing this term, our focus will be on the genres of narrative and recount.

Things to remember:

Outdoor PE days: Wednesday and Friday – t-shirt jumper, jogging bottoms and trainers. Please ensure children **come to school wearing their P.E kit** on P.E days.

As current guidelines mean we have to have P.E outdoors please ensure your child has appropriate footwear and a suitable jacket for rainy days.

Our focus area for this term is Team Games and working collaboratively.

Please remember that all jewellery must be removed on PE days.

Water bottles: Children should come to school with a filled water bottle. Pupils are encouraged to drink plain water only.

Homework: Updates will follow soon with more information on homework.

Numeracy

P4/3 will be practising mental agility and a range of areas within Numeracy and maths this year. Number talks will also continue and the children continue to be enthusiastic, learning a number of strategies. The outer maths topic we will be looking at this term is Planning the Year. Children have the opportunity to complete Sumdog in class and at home if available also.

It would be helpful if children continue to consolidate and practise their number work at home when possible such as their times tables.

Children may be given some questions to complete at home for revision of work completed in class if more practise is required and details will be given about this if and when required.

Up and coming events:

24/09/20- Inservice Day

(Pupils not in school)

25/09/20-28/09/20 - September Weekend

28/09/20-04/10/20 - Maths Week Scotland