

**January
2023
P4 Newsletter**

Remember to follow us on twitter and see all the fun activities we have been doing. (@SikesidePS)



I hope you all had a lovely Christmas. Happy New Year and welcome to term 3! We had great fun in term 2, performing in the Nativity – ‘Too Busy for Christmas’ and enjoying our parties and pantomime trip. Here is an overview of what we will be doing in the new term.

Interdisciplinary Study

We will be working with the children in Carnbroe Primary on our Global Goals topic, ‘Life Below Water’. We will be investigating life in the ocean, developing an awareness of water pollution and exploring the effect of climate change on the ocean temperatures.

Literacy

In our literacy and language P4 will be continuing to work on the North Lanarkshire Council Active Literacy Programme, which involves exploring phoneme knowledge, building vocabulary and common word spelling strategies. We will be reading for enjoyment and beginning our new reading books and novel studies, reading with a partner, giving feedback and focussing on our reading strategies. Our two genres for writing this term are **Instructions** and **Reports** using our Interdisciplinary Learning and our environment as a stimulus. Our class novel will be Matilda.

Things to remember

P.E. - please remember P.E. kit on a Monday and Friday.

Water bottles – your child is advised to bring a full water bottle to school each day.

Homework – will be issued on Monday morning and should be returned on Friday morning in your child’s jotter.

Healthy snacks – as we are a Health Promoting School, we encourage healthy snacks.

Numeracy

In maths and numeracy, P4 will be investigating patterns and sequences. After which we will be learning about money and time. We will also be exploring fractions, decimals and percentages and 2D/3D shape. We will be continuing with our daily Number Talks, sharing our mental maths strategies during class discussions, and using Sumdog to practise maths skills.

Some useful websites:

www.topmarks.com

www.sumdog.com

www.doorwayonline.com

Up and coming events:

13th - 15th February - holidays

22nd February – Open Hour

w/o 6th March – Eco Week

29th March – Easter Service 9.30am