



**April
2023
P4 Newsletter**

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Welcome back to the last term, how time flies! I hope you enjoyed the Easter break and are ready for the final term. Here is an overview of what we will be doing in the new term and how we will be preparing for our move to Riverbank Primary School after the summer, exciting times ahead!

Interdisciplinary Study

As we say goodbye to Sikeside we will be learning about a decade in the past. Primary 4 are going to explore the 1980s, we will be researching TV/film, music, popular toys, technological inventions and important historical events.

Literacy

In literacy 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 main genre for writing this term is **Explanation** and we will be revising all other genres too, using our Interdisciplinary Learning and our environment as a stimulus. We will be continuing with our class novel 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 learning about data and analysis, ideas of chance and uncertainty and angles, symmetry and transformation. We will also be studying Expressions and Equations and the Impact of Maths on the World, Past, Present and Future. After which we will be revisiting Number and Number Processes. 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:

1/5/23 Holiday

2/5/23 Inservice Day

8/5/23 King's Coronation

26/5/23 – 29/5/23 May weekend

1/6/23 – Blair Drummond Safari Park

7/6/23 – Sports Day

20/6/23 – Summer Disco

23/6/23 – School Closing Fun Day

26/6/23 – End of term service

28/6/23 Schools close