

Focus for Learning

Primary 4

January - April

Literacy

Our focus for this term will be

- To listen to, respond to and recite Scottish poetry explaining text pattern , word pattern and interesting words
- To read increasingly challenging novels to develop comprehension skills and develop vocabulary
- Develop skills when identifying the main idea
- Developing word attack strategies and spelling strategies to decode tricky/ unfamiliar words when reading
- Develop skills when proofreading and editing texts
- Develop skills in narrative and persuasive writing activities.
- Develop skills when making notes to help plan for own writing
- Developing use of adjectives, verbs and connectives in own writing
- Developing punctuation skills to include use of commas, question marks and paragraphs
- Develop handwriting skills to ensure writing is correctly formed, legible and clear.



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Numeracy and Maths

Our focus for this term will be

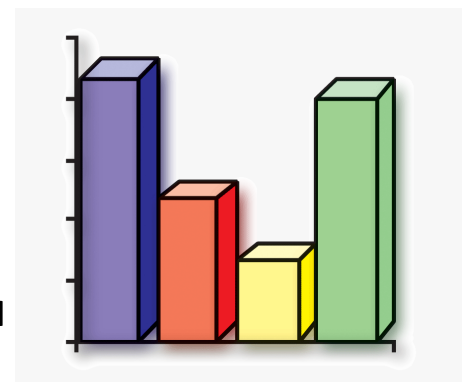
- Data Handling
- Multiplication and Division
- Ideas of chance and uncertainty
- Fractions, decimal fractions and percentages
- Expressions and equations



MULTIPLICATION
DIVISION

The pupils will be learning to

- Collect, organise and interpret information using bar graphs, tables and charts
- Use a computer to create a simple bar graph
- Find lines of symmetry within shapes
- Complete the missing half of a symmetrical pattern or shape
- Use the terms certain, probable, unlikely and impossible to predict the likelihood of everyday situations occurring
- Create symmetrical patterns and designs
- Find fractions of one or two digit numbers
- Use knowledge of division to find simple fractions ($\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{3}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{5}$, $\frac{1}{10}$)
- Complete number statements to add missing symbol or number



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Cross Curricular

This term we will focus on pupils will:



- Use from local newspaper "The Cumbernauld News" in order to research current social, political or economic issues in our local area.
- Develop notetaking skills through reading current news stories.
- Describe how they have been affected by local events
- Work together to produce a news story for "The Cumbernauld News"
- Develop an understanding of the importance of local vets, doctors and dental surgeries in providing for the needs of the local community.
- Plot the location of the doctors, dentist and vets in the local area.
- Research the jobs done by these organisations
- Visit these local organisations to find out more about the services they provide and interview staff about the jobs they do
- Create class newspaper to report on events from St Marys and interview staff on the jobs they do
- Use evidence about Robert Burns to create fact files which describe his place of birth, his life and the impact he has made throughout the world.



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Health and Wellbeing

This term our focus will be:

Healthy Lifestyles

- Develop understanding that children should be physically active for 60 minutes each day
- Identify different ways to become active each day
- Create a personal activity plan to set personal activity goals
- Identify barriers which may prevent them from achieving personal goals and come up with solutions to overcome barriers
- To develop a positive attitude towards setting personal goals to improve performance and fitness



Food and Health

- To explore and enjoy new food experiences
- To discuss and respect there are different reasons why people make food choices
- To compare foods from own and other cultures
- To show respect for other people's culture and beliefs about food

