



Literacy	Maths
<p><b>NOVEL STUDY:</b> This term the children are studying the whole class novel, Charlotte's Web. This enables modelling of the 6 different comprehension strategies deepening understanding of characters, setting and plot as well as developing fluency.</p> <p><b>SPELLING:</b> Primary 5 will be using phonological awareness, diacritical marking and strategies to improve our spelling. Primary 6 will focus on strategy spelling of common words. The children experience a variety of writing opportunities throughout the curriculum focusing on the Genres Narrative, Persuasive and Information text.</p>	<p>Maths topics to be studied during Term 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Place Value</li> <li>• Addition / subtraction</li> <li>• Money</li> <li>• Time</li> <li>• Measure</li> </ul> <p>Children will continue to reinforce mental maths strategies throughout this term with a variety of Active Math activities linked to the topics. We are also using Number Talks Programme to develop and improve our mental agility</p>
Health & Well Being	Religious Education
<p>During term 1 the children will be exploring several health topics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SAFE</li> <li>• PEER PRESSURE</li> <li>• Healthy Eating /Food labelling</li> </ul> <p>Mr Cairns will continue to deliver PE following the better Movers and Thinkers programme as well as P5 children enjoying swimming sessions.</p>	<p>Themes for term 1 include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New Beginnings</li> <li>• Justice and Peace</li> <li>• Celtic Heritage</li> <li>• Advent</li> </ul>
Science	Social Subjects
<p>Science topics for Term 1 explore:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Food webs and Energy Flow</li> <li>• Plants Benefit to Society</li> </ul> <p>The children will experience lots of outdoor learning with particular focus on our school garden.</p>	<p>This term the children will participate in the People and Place Topic <u>Our School Garden</u>, which explores the development of Land Area (Our school Garden) and positive impact and benefit this can have on the school community. We will also participate in an Educational trip to The Botanic Gardens in Glasgow where we will learn more about plants and herbs and their medicinal values.</p>
Technology	Music / Drama
<p>The class will continue to develop ICT skills using the computer suite, iPads and laptops in class to enhance learning. The children will also use Scratch, creating their own interactive stories, games and animations.</p>	<p>Music will be taught through the ABC music program and term one will focus on</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rhythm</li> <li>• Introduction to Composing.</li> </ul> <p>The primary 5 will also participate in the Kodaly Music Programme as well as Primary 5 and 6 enjoying choir lessons with our music teacher.</p>
Art	Homework Projects
<p>Focus development in Art &amp; Design</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drawing with mix of media</li> <li>• Painting &amp; Colour</li> </ul> <p>The children will enjoy a wide variety of cross curricular art lessons based around their topics. It is hoped that several of these lessons will be outdoors weather permitting</p>	<p>Homework is given out on a Friday to be handed in the following Thursday. Your child has been given a Homework Menu which sets out their spelling words for block 1 as well as a wide variety of tasks on the menu they can choose from. Your child has been given a Study Ladder and Sumdog username and password where class tasks and games are set based on class teaching. Children are also encouraged to use Spelling City to reinforce spelling through online games and activities.</p>

Please find brief details of what your child will be covering in class this term. Take time to ask them about their learning.

We know children attain better when a parent or carer at home discusses their learning with them. Like you, we want all our children attaining and achieving to their maximum potential.