



# Primary 7/6 Newsletter

## January 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you all had a very relaxing Christmas break. All of the children enjoyed a successful Term 1 and it is clear they have returned full of excitement and ready to do the same in Term 2. We have a busy few months ahead of us, with our Primary 7 children preparing for the transition to high school. They have been role models for our Primary 6 children who are more than ready to take on the responsibility as leaders of the school next year.

### **Homework**

As per the St Michael's homework policy, homework will be issued on a Friday on our class Teams page, which can be accessed in the Files section and on the Homework Channel. The homework will consist of a spelling task, reading and a Maths task, which will usually be assigned on Sumdog, based on the skills we have been learning in class. The children all have a homework jotter which has the relevant login details. The uptake for homework last term was very low. The Primary 7 children in particular need to be getting into the habit of completing homework in preparation for high school. We appreciate your support in encouraging the children to complete their tasks.

### **Literacy**

This term, we will be completing a unit of Poetry where the children will have the opportunity to read and respond to a variety of poems before creating their own poems in various styles.

We will also be revisiting non-fiction reading. The children will be exposed to different types of texts and further developing skills in reading, writing and sorting factual information. We will begin new class novels later in the term and the children will bring their books home to read as part of their homework. In the meantime, children are encouraged to be reading their own choice of book at home each night.

We will cover persuasive and recount writing this term.

### **Numeracy and Maths**

This term the children will be working on multiplication and division and we will have more of a focus on beyond number. Our maths topics will be time, money, shape and fractions, decimals and percentages.

### **P.E. Days**

The children will participate in P.E. twice a week; a Wednesday (Raquet sports) and a Friday (Gymnastics with Miss Walker). We are starting to see quite a few children without kit or

appropriate footwear. Please make sure your child has these in their school bag on a Monday for the week and is wearing trainers on these days. If you don't have the school t-shirt, a plain green or white t-shirt is allowed, with black shorts.

### **Topic**

Our topic for Term 2 is the Scottish Wars of Independence. The children are very engaged in their learning so far, and this topic provides plenty of opportunities for interdisciplinary learning. If you have any materials or resources at home that relate to this topic, we would be grateful if they could be brought in for us to see!

### **Science**

This term's Science topic is Body Systems and Cells. We have been learning about the Respiratory System and will also learn about the make up of the skeleton.

### **Primary 7 – Work experience**

This term, our Primary 7s will have an opportunity to visit the Coffee Shop and undertake some work experience. They have applied for roles and been selected to learn some new skills within these roles. A letter should have been sent to you informing you of the date your child will be attending. This is part of the Health and Wellbeing curriculum area with a focus on Health and Safety.

Finally, if you ever have any questions, worries or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch. You can do this by phoning or emailing the school office.

Kind regards

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