



# Primary 7 Newsletter

## January 2024



### Literacy

This term the children will be using a mixture of **fiction and non-fiction** texts to further develop their skills within **Tools for Reading, Finding and Using Information and Understanding, Analysing and Evaluating**. Using group novels the children will be developing their **reading comprehension** and as part of our wider curricular reading we will focus on **finding information, taking notes and creating our own texts**.



Our writing focus for the coming term will be **information reports and explanation texts**. Both of these genres will tie in with the learning covered during our Scottish theme and Sustainability IDL. We will continue to work through our **North Lanarkshire** spelling programme, exploring a range of spelling rules and common words.

### Numeracy

Children will continue to develop their mental fluency and number skills using the **Number Talks** programme. This term we will be focusing on exploring strategies for **subtraction and multiplication**, using carefully planned for 5-10 minute activities.

Within our wider maths children will continue to explore the theme of **number, money and measure** as well as **shape, position and movement** in greater depth. We will be focusing on our knowledge of the **measure; fractions, decimals and percentages; money; time; shape and patterns**.



### Health and Wellbeing

#### Physical Education Focus

Our P.E. days for this term will be a **Wednesday and Friday**.

**Indoor P.E.** - Wednesday, handball skills development with the



support of Active Schools.

**Outdoor P.E.** - Friday, with a focus on Sports Hall athletics based activities.

#### SHANARRI Indicator Focus

Each month we have a different focus:

**January** - Active, Physical Education Physical Activity and Sport.

**February** - Respected, Healthy Lifestyles

**March** - Responsible, Food and Health



### Wider Curricular Areas

**Art and Social Studies** - during the month of January we will be concentrating on a Scottish learning theme, with a specific focus on Charles Rennie Mackintosh and Famous Scots, respectively.

**Religious and Moral Education** - we will be learning more about winter festivals and how different religious and cultural groups celebrate.

**Interdisciplinary Learning** - between February and March we will be focusing on Sustainability, linking in the UN Sustainability Goals 7 (Clean Energy) and 13 (Climate Action).

### Play and Outdoor Learning

Within the classroom we are exploring more play, both within a structured context and as free play opportunities. During this time we are developing our ability to cooperate, turn take and listen to others.

Our outdoor learning will be planned for in a way that provides scope for children to further explore their class-based learning in different contexts.



### Dates to Remember

- WB 15<sup>th</sup> Jan only - Indoor P.E. on Monday and Wednesday.
- 26.01.2024 - Burn's Assembly
- WB 05.02.2024 - Online Safety Week
- 08.03.2024 - World Book Day.
- 15.03.2024 - Comic Relief
- 28.03.2024 - Easter Service