

Primary 7 Newsletter

April 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 **identifying fact and opinion and sources of information**.

Our writing focus for the coming term will be the **persuasive and discursive** genres. Both of these genres will tie in with the learning covered during our Human Rights IDL as well as wider topics identified by the children as being of interest.

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 **division**, using carefully planned for 5-10 minute activities, before revisiting the other three operations.

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 **fractions, decimals and percentages; shape; angles; and data handling**.

Health and Wellbeing

Physical Education Focus

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

Indoor P.E. - Thursday, Better Movers and Thinkers programme

Outdoor P.E. - Friday, with a focus on Sports Day based activities.

SHANARRI Indicator Focus

Each month we have a different focus:

May - Included, Physical Education Physical Activity and Sport.

June - Substance Misuse, Healthy Lifestyles

June - Changing and Developing Bodies, Healthy Lifestyles

Wider Curricular Areas

Art and Social Studies - this term we will continue to develop our scientific understanding of the world, through learning focused on inheritance and DNA.

Religious and Moral Education - we will be learning more about humanist wedding ceremonies and how these compare to religious events.

Interdisciplinary Learning - between April and May we will be focusing on Human Rights, looking at the development and infringement of human rights across historical and modern contexts. Towards the end of Term 3 we will also be participating in a social enterprise topic as well as preparing for our transition to secondary school.

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

- 02.05.2024 - May Inservice Day
- 06.05.2024 - May Day Holiday
- WB 6th May - P7 SNSA Week
- 24.05.2024 & 27.05.2024 - May Long Weekend
- 28.05.2024 - P4 to 7 POLO Day
- 31.05.2024 - P4 to 7 Sports Day
- 05.06.2024 - Afternoon Show
- 06.06.2024 - Evening Show
- 10.06.2024 - 12.06.2024 - Cumbernauld Academy Transition
- 20.06.2024 - P7 Innoflate
- 24.06.2024 - P7 Movie and Pizza Treat
- 25.06.2024 - P7 Leavers and Awards