

## HOMEWORK

Children will be issued with a paper copy of the homework diary each week.

**Spelling** The children will be given 8 words to study each week.

Children will copy each word three times before completing the tasks. They can decide to write sentences, dictionary definitions or create a paragraph.

**Reading** homework is based on 'GINN' reading scheme and personal reading this term. Children should be prepared to answer questions on their reading. Book reviews will be issued monthly.

**Maths** Children will be given mental maths homework this term.

We are encouraging children to use mental arithmetic strategies to help them calculate sums.

**Learning across the Curriculum** One task will be planned each week related to another area. Eg (science, health, R.E).

**Please look on Class Dojo for updates and homework diaries.**

## TERMLY CURRICULAR NEWS

Home Link Booklet



Session: 2025 / 2026

Term: 1 August - December

Class: Primary 7

Teacher: Mrs Maclean & Miss Marshall

This booklet gives an overview of the work your child will complete in the first term of primary 7. You will also find details of your child's weekly homework.

Primary 7 have a busy year ahead. Quickest way to contact us is on 'Class Dojo'. We will aim to reply to messages the same day.

Children will upload photos to their Dojo personal pages for you to see their work.

Mrs Maclean & Miss Marshall

### **Literacy**

Children will complete spelling, reading comprehension work, grammar and handwriting activities during the week. Our 'Talk for Writing' focus is characterisation and informational writing using Talk for Writing approach. Our class novel study this term is 'Holes' by Louis Sachar. Reading homework will be a mix of novels and GINN reading books. We will also have a Spelling Bee on a Friday morning - based on the week's spelling words. This will be self/peer assessed.

### **Maths and Numeracy**

Whole class lessons are delivered on a Tuesday/Thursday. Following this, children will work with their maths group on follow up tasks throughout the week. Topics to be covered in Term 1 will be: place value, addition & subtraction, decimals and time. Activities will be differentiated to suit the needs of the children. Mental maths tasks are varied and include tables, division, and number work. At the end of each topic, there will be a short check-up task.

### **Health and Wellbeing**

P.E. days are Mondays and Fridays - please ensure your child comes prepared for P.E and removes jewellery. Earrings should be removed by the child or covered with micropore tape. Teachers cannot do this for the children. We will be focusing on team building, games and athletics. Active Schools clubs will begin this term - a notice will shortly be on Class Dojo. There is a P7 girls and P7 boys football tournament running - we are hoping to send two teams.

### **Religious Education - 'This is Our Faith'**

Topics to cover this term: The Seven Sacraments, Saints, The Bible, Gospel readings, Mary and the rosary and Advent. P7 will continue the 'Pope Francis Faith Award' programme which helps them to study the gifts of the Holy Spirit which is good preparation for their Confirmation. There will be a mass at St Mirin's Cathedral for children receiving the sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 10.15am.

### **Technologies**

To research the internet for appropriate information. Class will enhance their word processing skills and learn how to use technology to share information (via Class Dojo). They will also learn about Coding during Maths Week and Coding Week.

### **Expressive Arts**

Art - Fairtrade Fortnight, Bonfire night, Halloween, Christmas and artist studies. This will include the use of felt pens, pencils, chalk, printing, multi-media and paint.

Drama - Drama will also be used throughout the curriculum to support learning. Children will learn different Drama conventions such as freeze frames, role on the wall, hot seating etc. We will also be rehearsing for our Christmas play!

Music - Music will be used to enhance learning activities. Children will be involved in Monday's Hymn practices and will prepare for our Christmas show.

### **Modern Languages**

Spanish lessons will be delivered on a Monday and French lessons on a Friday. Vocabulary this term will include: greetings, family, colours, weather.

### **Interdisciplinary Topics**

We will speak to the children about the topics that they would like to study this Term. We will also study short interdisciplinary topics which cover several curricular areas such as Maths Week, Fairtrade Fortnight, Black History Month (Oct), Halloween, Coding Week, Anti-bullying week, Book Week, Bonfire Night, Remembrance Day, Day of the Dead & Advent.

### **STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths).**

Science lessons will be delivered throughout the week. The children will work in small groups and will have opportunities to use different equipment. They will be encouraged to 'Plan, Do and Review' when taking part in experimental tasks.