

Cairn Primary School

Curriculum for Excellence

What are Primary 3/4 learning this term?

Term 2

Language and Literacy



Reading - We will explore a range of non-fiction texts this term (whole class). Reading books are used to develop reading skills at appropriate levels (groups). We also have time every day reading for enjoyment through the Accelerated Reader programme (personal).

Writing - We will look at a range of functional writing this term including recipes, directions, instructions and letters. We will also continue to have weekly free writing time to explore our own choices (through news, stories, poems etc.)

Listening and Talking - Our focus will be on listening and following more complex instructions. We will also be learning about the importance of giving clear instructions / information when we speak to others.

Numeracy and Maths



Pupils will continue to take part in daily Number Talks where learning is enhanced through sharing our thought processes. Please ask your child to share their strategies with you at home too. Our focus in class will be on subtraction and finding the difference between amounts. We will use role play in class (shop/café) as a context for using money and calculating change.

We will be describing, following and recording routes and journeys using the vocabulary of quarter/half turns and compass points. We will explore symmetry in the world around us and link this through expressive arts.

Health and Wellbeing



PE will remain outdoors for now as per government guidance. Please make sure children are dressed appropriately for outdoor PE, Our outdoor PE days will be a *Wednesday and Thursday this term. In class we will look at food safety and take part in practical preparation of simple foods linked to our recipe writing. We will take part in activities on staying safe and developing our self-esteem through the IDL theme of Healthy Bodies - Healthy Minds.

*PE days subject to change. We will Groupcall message you new days if this changes.

Interdisciplinary Learning (IDL)



Our learning theme is "Healthy Bodies - Healthy Minds". We will find out about the main bones and organs of the human body. We will learn (through experiments) about how germs spread and ways to prevent this. We will find out about different food groups and steps we can take to maintain a healthy lifestyle (water, sleep, exercise and nutrition). Expressive arts will be linked to Halloween, Diwali, Fireworks and Christmas.

Article 28 - Communication with our families remains vital to achieving the best for every child at Cairn. At the moment it can be difficult to catch up in person, so please call or email the school for a chat with the class teacher. We will return your call or email as soon as we can. The school phone number is: 01655 885 802 or please send an email to: cairn.mail@south-ayrshire.gov.uk 😊

