|  |
| --- |
| **Buzzbee’s news about P7**  S:\Buzzbee\Buzzbee Logo.jpg  **Term 4 - what are we learning this term?**  **Maths**  We begin every maths lesson with mental maths, focusing on a range of skills where the pupils have the opportunity to explore different strategies and approaches. Children are also encouraged to practise mental maths at home, such as addition and multiplication facts. Useful apps/websites for this are Sumdog and Hit the Button. Upcoming topics will include angles, compass points, symmetry, area, perimeter and 3-figure bearings. This will be followed by revision of number concepts, including fractions, decimals and percentages and how to apply these skills in problem solving contexts.  **Literacy**  This term, we will be working as a whole class on the novel ‘A Kind of Spark’ by Elle McNicoll. This novel has been selected by the English Department at Prestwick Academy and has been distributed to all Primary 7 pupils across our cluster. Teachers from the English Department will be coming in to deliver lessons on this text. We will be studying the main themes of this text and then the children will focus on this novel at the beginning of S1.  Pupils are encouraged to read for pleasure and can take a book home from our school library.  Taught Writing lessons will continue to be once a week. This term, the writing styles we will focus on are: narrative, personal and informative writing.  **Interdisciplinary Topics**:  Our science topic this term will be ‘Bio Systems: My Body’, where we learn about the skeleton and circulatory, digestive and respiratory systems.  In RME we will learn about different Creation Stories from the following religions: Christianity, Judaism, Hinduism, Islam and Sikhism, as well as the science perspective of biological and social evolution.  During Term 4, the children will work together to prepare and rehearse for their school show ‘Mary Poppins’, as well as for their Leavers’ Assembly.  **Things to remember:**  **Uniform** – Children continue to be expected to come in to school wearing school uniform.  **PE Days for both P7 classes – Wednesday and Friday.** Children are expected to wear black or navy shorts or leggings with a polo shirt or white t-shirt. Children are also expected to bring a pair of gym shoes/trainers for PE. Please label all PE kit items. They can all be kept in class or brought in on the day.  **Home Learning -**This term the pupils are working on their personal project. These are due by **Thursday 23rd May**. Spelling words will continue to be given out on a Monday to practise at home ready for a spelling test on Fridays.  **Water bottles**: Children are reminded to bring in a water bottle. Please remember it should only be water and not diluting juice.  **Dates to Remember** – please refer to school newsletter and “Dates for your Diary” on the website. |