

Heathfield Primary and Early Years Centre

Curriculum Newsletter

Term 4 2024 Primary 7

Literacy and English



Dates for your diary

May

2nd School Closed 6th School Closed 8th - Newton Racers (Prestwick Academy) 24th - 27th School Closed

31st -Sports Day (weather permitting)

June

4th - 6th School Show 7th - Active Schools Triathlon 11th-13th - Prestwick Academy Bump Up Days 15th -Summer Fayre 21st - Scottish Assault Course 27th - Leavers' Service (Parents/Carers to attend) 28th - Silent Disco 28th -Last Day of Term (1pm finish)

Dates will be updated monthly on the school newsletter - please note that these dates may be subject to change. This term, as part of a transition literacy project with Prestwick Academy, our class novel will be 'A Kind of Spark' by Elle McNicoll. This WOKE book will prepare the children for further work on the novel as they move into S1.

Additionally, we will focus on persuasive and discursive texts in our writing over the coming weeks.

Health and Wellbeing

Building on from our puberty input last session, this term will see us further develop our understanding of the human reproduction system, in particular, how a baby develops from conception to birth.

As Sports' Day approaches, we will focus on athletics in PE. We will also take part in a number of events, as part of our P7 Sports' Championship, with one person being crowned Sports Champion 2024.

Context for Learning

This term our context for learning will be our school show, Madagascar.

Our rehearsals are in full swing and through the hard work and effort from all involved, this should be an amazing experience for everyone.

Numeracy and Mathematics

In Numeracy, we will focus on BODMAS, deepening our understanding of the correct order of operations in number calculations, when solving multi-step problems.

We will also cover aspects of time, algebra and measurement.

Websites to support Home Learning

- Accelerated Reader
- Sumdog

Reminders

With our school show fast approaching, pupils should take time to practise their lines, songs and choreography at home.

Pupils should be reading at home most nights and are welcome to borrow books from class.

Home Learning Grid

| Guidance for Parents | Reading | |
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| We respect the unique set of circumstances and values each family has and home learning is parental choice and will not be 'marked' by teachers. Please do as many or as few tasks listed below. If your child requires additional support with any learning tasks the class teacher will discuss this with you individually. Home learning should never be stressful for a family. If you wish to discuss any aspect of your child's learning please do not hesitate to contact us. | 10 - 15 minutes each day. Make it comfortable and enjoyable to develop a love of reading for enjoyment. Books can be read to and with children and audio books are a great way | |
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| Accelerated Reader | Listening and talking We would like you to research a subject that you are interested in. This could be; vintage cars, string | Writing Write a persuasive speech about why people should read your favourite book. Your speech should |
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| READER | instruments, a specific animal etc. When you have done some research, you could present the information to your family members, or better yet, bring it in to present it to the class! | include at least 4 persuasive techniques. Extension: Record you reading your speech on your phone. Play it to as many people as you can and ask if it would persuade them to read the book you are recommending and why. |
| Numeracy https://www.sumdog.com/sc/ | Health and Wellbeing This term, we are focusing on Articles 19, 30 and 31 of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. Research each of these rights, what do they mean to you? Explore how you can be supported in accessing these rights both at home and school. | Reading Our transition novel, A Kind of Spark, focuses on being different and more accepting and understanding about the differences of others. Why not discuss the key themes with someone at home? You could even research the history of Old Edinburgh or witch trials within Scotland. |

| Numeracy and Maths | IDL-School Show | Health and Wellbeing |
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| Choose an aspect of your learning that you have | With our school show fast approaching, please take | Doing exercise not only helps to keep us fit and |
| found challenging: | the time to practise your songs, lines, choreography | healthy but also can help to improve your mood. |
| • Fractions | or stage directions. | Joe Wicks, The Body Coach, explains this in one of |
| • Equations | | his school workout videos. Your task is to listen to |
| • BODMAS | | Joe and complete his school workout! |
| Create an information poster about the subject. The | | https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-TGEdzRzSbw |
| poster should include: -title | TADAGAS CAN | |
| -diagram | A DIUSICAL | 6 6 |
| -attractive colours | JR. | 5 1 |
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| Please bring these in to share with the class if yours | | 7.1.7.1 |
| meets the criteria. | | |