

Heathfield Primary and EYC Curriculum Newsletter

Primary 4

November 2024



Dates for Your Diary

November

Wednesday 6th 6pm Parent Council Meeting

Friday 8th Outdoor Classroom Day Please note change of date.

Monday 11th Anti Bullying Week

Friday 15th Children in Need - Dress Down Day

Monday 18th Book Week Scotland

Monday 18th Road Safety Week

December

Monday 2nd Christmas Post Boxes out

Friday 6th Dress Down day and bring a Bottle for the Christmas Fayre

Wednesday 11th P3 - 7 to Panto

Thursday 12th EYC to P7 Christmas lunch

Friday 13th Christmas Fayre

Wednesday 18th pm P3 and 4 Christmas Party

Friday 20th Winter assembly

Friday 20th Close at 2.30pm

Remember...

Our school uniform is: White shirt or white/red polo shirt, a red tie and school shorts, trousers, skirt or dress. Please remember that we may take our learning outside so all children should bring a jacket.

The children will have PE on the following days:
P4 - Tuesday and Friday



Literacy and English

Listening and Talking - We will be learning to recognise the difference between fact and opinion.

Reading - Children are in reading groups and will be assigned books at their reading level. They will be developing decoding skills, fluency, and comprehension. We will continue to consolidate our knowledge of sounds and the different written representations.

Writing - We will learn to write reports using scientific experiments as our context.

Numeracy and Maths

Number and Number Process - We will focus on addition and subtraction this term, learning new strategies when working with 2 and 3 digit numbers.

Expressions and Equations - We will compare numbers using different symbols and solve missing number calculations.

Angle, Symmetry & Transformation - We will learn to identify a right angle, acute and obtuse angles.



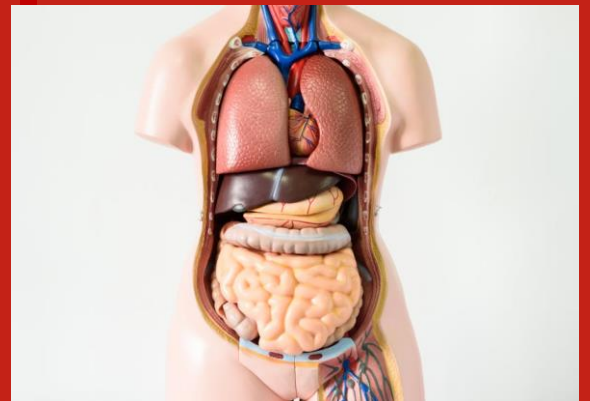
Health and Wellbeing

In PE we will learn new skills in badminton before moving onto fitness and social dancing. We will have tennis coaching at the Prestwick Tennis Centre.

As part of our 'Human Body' context, we will learn about physical health and hygiene.

Context for Learning

The Human Body - with a focus on science and health and wellbeing, we will learn about our bones, muscles and organs. We will also learn about our senses and staying healthy. The children would love to hear from some expert parents about jobs that use their knowledge of the human body - if you would like to come and give a short talk and answer questions, please email the office or speak to your child's teacher.



Home Learning

Guidance for Parents

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.

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.

What can we do at home?

Literacy and English

We do strongly encourage that families develop regular reading routines. We recommend 10-15 minutes per day.

Think of 3 questions you would ask a visitor eg. A doctor, nurse, scientist or personal trainer about the human body. Try open ended question for a thorough discussion.

Look for examples of non-fiction writing. Have a go at writing an instruction list using subheadings.

Numeracy and Maths

Practise adding using money as a context. Look at prices in a shop, online or leaflets and add them together.

To simplify, try rounding numbers to a pound. For more challenging equations, use pounds and pence.

Rights Respecting Schools

What is your birthday right? Ask an adult to help you research your birthday right and share it with your class teacher. For example, if you are born on the 5th you would learn the 5th right of the child. The Right of the Child can be found here: <https://www.unicef.org/sop/convention-rights-child-child-friendly-version>

Context for Learning

Conduct an experiment at home to explore the properties of materials. You could try testing if things dissolve in water or not. Test which materials are waterproof or how to make a strong structure out of paper.

Websites to support Home Learning

Accelerated Reader: <https://global-zone61.renaissance-go.com/welcomeportal>
(Make sure the ID is RP-17446528)

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