

HEATHFIELD PRIMARY & EYC



CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER January 2026

Diary Dates

January

7th - Scottish Poem goes home.

12th - Golf starts (4 weeks).

26th - Scottish Poetry Assembly.

February

2nd - Children's Mental Health Week.

4th - Sharing the Learning - Maths focus.

5th - 10th - School closed.

11th - Children return.

25th - Parent Council Meeting.

March

5th - World Book Day.

6th - Football Festival.

20th - Comic Relief.

31st - Late Parents' Evening.

April

1st - Parents' Afternoon.

2nd - Autism Awareness Day.

2nd - School Closes 2.30pm.



Reminders

Our school uniform is:

- white shirt with a tie or a polo shirt
- red or grey jumper/cardigan
- black or grey trousers/shorts/skirt/pinafore. Tartan/check dresses in our school colours are also welcome.

Please remember to name items of clothing such as jackets, jumpers and cardigans.

Please remember that we may take our learning outside so all children should bring a jacket.

We will have PE on Monday and Tuesday. Please ensure that children have suitable clothing worn for these activities. No football strips should be worn.

OUR CURRICULUM THIS TERM

Literacy and English

We will continue to develop our knowledge of phonemes using the South Ayrshire Reads (SAR) approach and continue our focus on individual letter sounds. We will also be working on generating words that start with the sound and where the sound appears in the word. As we learn more about encoding, we will develop our ability to write short simple words that contain sounds we have already covered such as cat/dog/pig. For reading and decoding, we will start to use books that contain these short simple words and short simple sentences (It is a ...). We will use our IDL topic, Scotland, for reading, writing and listening and talking activities such as making puppets to retell the story of 'The Wee Red Hen'.



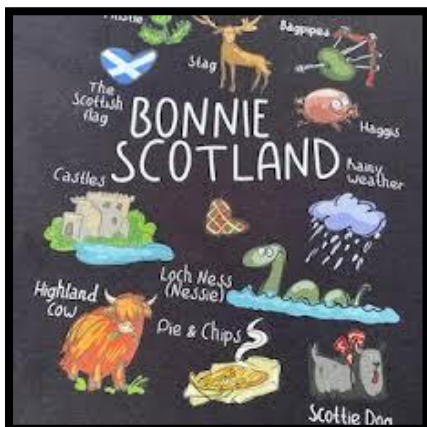
Numeracy and Maths

We are learning to extend the number line to 20 and understand how numbers can be built and broken apart. We will continue to practice counting, reading, writing, and ordering numbers up to 20 now. We will also be developing strategies for efficiency with addition and subtraction using number lines, ten frames, part-part-whole diagrams and starting to learn some facts for recall.

We will apply maths skills for measure to explore different times of the day and o'clock times. We will also look at how to measure objects in different ways for length and height.

Health and Wellbeing

This term our Zones of Regulation focus will be to explore when we feel proud and recognising our achievements. We will have a 'Proud Cloud' display in the classroom which will help us to recognise when we are doing something well. We will explore further ways to keep safe, including electrical safety, privacy and having a visit from the campus cop. This term, we will be participating in golf sessions and our PE focus will be different sports for hand-eye coordination such as basketball and balloon volleyball.



Contexts for Learning

We are learning all about Scotland this term. We have given some ideas about what we want to learn about including Scottish wildlife, food, castles, local areas, the beach and some mysteries such as the Loch Ness Monster. We will also explore a range of Scottish stories and famous Scots. Mr Hill will be including Scottish songs in our music lessons and we have already enjoyed starting to learn Coulter's Candy and 'Wee Willie Winkie'. In art, we will learn more about colour using the colour wheel and water colour paint to make artwork then use a range of appropriate materials and techniques to create our own castles!