Primary 7 Term 2



Welcome back! We hope everyone had a lovely October break. On Tuesday of this week a number of our P7 pupils presented their fantastic School and House Captain speeches. Congratulations to everyone who took part, demonstrating their great communication skills and development of character. We are looking forward to our visit to Dolphin House from Monday to Thursday next week and are sure to have lots of fun as we participate in a wide range of activities and complete our John Muir Award. After our visit we P7 will be learning some songs to sing in the community during the Christmas Season.

Literacy

Reading: This term the focus will be on group novels:

- The Firework Maker's Daughter by Phillip Pullman
- Clockwork by Phillip Pullman
- I believe in Unicorns by Michael Morpurgo.

Pupils will further develop their higher order thinking and critical literacy skills through the teaching of the six comprehension strategies:

Prior Knowledge, Metalinguistics (Tricky words), Visualisation, Inference, Main idea, Summarisation.

Spelling: Pupils will work on The Phoneme 'oa' and its grapheme representations oa, ow, o, oe, o-e, ough, ou and eau. They will also work on The Phoneme 's' and its grapheme representations ss, ce, se, c, sc, st and ps.

Non Fiction Writing: Persuasion

Model Text: The Multi-Function Mobile Phone

Pupils will learn to put forward a point of view to encourage the reader to think in the same way.

Cold Task – Text Mapping – Innovation – Reading as a Reader – Short Burst Writing – Hot Task

Maths and Numeracy

Multiplication/Division

Multiply and divide whole numbers and decimals fractions - at least 2 decimal places by multiples of 10, 100 and 1000., divide a whole number and decimal fractions to 2 decimal places by a single digit, find the most efficient strategy to solve multiplication and division problems.

Operational Connections

Use the rule to multiply and divide any number by 10, 100 and 1000, solve multiplication and division problems involving a range of numbers with different decimal places and solve multi-step problems involving the four operations.

Fractions, decimals and percentages

Find fractions of a quantity/amount.

Simplifying fractions, Converting between improper fractions and mixed fractions.

Creating equivalent fractions and using this knowledge to put a set of all fractions in order.

Add and subtract fractions.

Show the links and convert between fractions, decimals and percentages then compare and order both all forms. Use knowledge of fractions and decimal fractions and to solve problems and justify choice of method.

Measure

Length, area and perimeter.

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Interdisciplinary learning: This term pupils attending the four day residential trip at Dolphin House will take part in a range of outdoor learning activities and complete the John Muir Award.

In Social Studies, pupils will study Kenya and compare geography, wildlife, culture and people, economy and food with that of Scotland.

Science

Non Renewable and Renewable Energy and Climate change.

Art

Charcoal drawings of John Muir Chalk Pastel Poppies for Remembrance

Digital Literacy:

Expresso Coding – More Complex Variables

Search/Access information on:

Non-renewable/renewable energy, climate change and Global warming

Kenva and Scotland

Dates for your diary:

Dolphin House: Monday 3rd to Thursday 6th November

Open Afternoon Wed 3rd December

HWB

- During PE, pupils will be developing skills in gymnastics and Social Dancing
- Pupils will complete a HWB Web for term 2 linked to SHANARRI Indicators
- Pupils will discuss Bullying and Cyber bullying
- Pupils will develop their awareness of Social media and Popular Culture

French

Pupils will learn how to greet people in French and learn French vocabulary to describe personality and appearance.