

Curriculum Overview for P4 January – April 2025

Literacy	Health and Wellbeing	Mathematics and Numeracy
Reading In our reading this term we will continue to work on our fluency and decoding skills. A lot of work will be at word level and out of the context of a text to encourage accurate decoding and looking at all the letters of the word. Pupils will continue to read from the Read Write Inc scheme in class and these books and other texts will come home as homework. In addition, we will read texts in class with a Scottish focus and use our learning to create new written and spoken texts of our own. Writing We will create frequent, short pieces of writing on a variety of topics to develop our ability to write independently and spell common words correctly. Spelling will also be developed through the Read Write Inc spelling scheme, with a focus on dictation to practise common words. Our longer writing will be creative and we will write poems and stories, paying attention to character, setting and plot. Talking and Listening Our talking and listening will include note taking and presentations of short and more in-depth research.	PE This term we have a block of swimming, which will form part of the PE curriculum. After the February break, we will return to PE with Mrs Douglas on a Tuesday, which will consist of gymnastics and fitness. Building Resilience This term's topic is Respect Yourself, which covers recognising strengths and capabilities in ourselves and also appreciating those of others. It also includes learning about the importance of looking after yourself, for example the importance of sleep. Relationships After the February break we will turn our attention to relationship education and pupils will discuss positive relationships, consent, friendships and families of all kinds.	Fractions The main focus of our maths this term will be fractions. Pupils will work to develop their understanding of how wholes can be split into fractions, including halves, quarters, thirds, fifths and eighths. We will investigate ways of making fractions and showing fractions using materials and pictorial methods. Pupils will also learn to find fractions of a number eg half of 28, one fifth of 20. Number Processes We will continue to review and develop our work on number processes, especially developing times table recall and applying our learning to word problems. Measure Our measure work will feature reading a variety of measuring scales and some simple unit conversions eg ½ kg = 500g. We hope to apply our learning in a real life situation involving food. Division This term we will also look at some written methods of division, applying our learning from last term.
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Art Our artwork this term will be a mixture of topic-inspired painting and some design and printing. Music We are delighted to have music specialist Mr Lowthian back with us this term. Pupils are learning to play the keyboard and building their skills in reading music and playing together.	History This term we are looking at people in the past and have chosen the Vikings as our area of study. We will consider where they fit into the historical sequence, why their presence was important in Scottish history and in which ways their society was different from ours. Science We will investigate the water cycle, considering the different stages it goes through and why water is essential to life,	This term Mrs Douglas will be teaching world religions, with a focus on awareness of the main religions, ability to explain key beliefs and the importance of respecting the beliefs of others. French We will continue to focus on animals, learning to say which animals we prefer and which pets we have. In addition, we will revise greetings, numbers and simple conversational language that we have learned previously.