Room 7 – Term 2 Newsletter

Literacy

Reading

We will be continuing to read the novel 'Holes' by Louis Sachar as our class novel. The class will be split into groups to study either 'Kensuke's Kingdom' or 'The Butterfly Lion', both by Michael Morpurgo. Activities will be differentiated for each group in order to meet the needs of the children. We will use North Lanarkshire's Active Literacy approach which focusses on 6 main strategies of Prior Knowledge, Metalinguistics, Visualisation, Inference, Main Theme and Summarising.

Writing

Mrs Colquhoun will be continuing to support the children in class during Writing sessions. The main focus this term will be imaginative writing and the children will learn about creating and describing settings and characters and the structure of stories. The children will continue to be encouraged to use their knowledge of VCOP to enhance their writing.

Spelling, Grammar and Handwriting

Spelling words will be given out on Monday and practised daily using a variety of strategies. The children will be developing their grammar and practising their handwriting on a weekly basis.

Numeracy

This term we will be learning about:

Cubes

- Patterns and sequences
- Multiples, factors, square numbers and prime numbers and negative numbers
- Addition and subtraction of 5-digit numbers and numbers to 2 decimal places
- Measure- length, weight and area
- Co-ordinates and grid references
- Data Handling- graphs, pie charts, databases and questionnaires

Cuboids

- Patterns and sequences
- Multiples, factors and negative numbers
- Addition and subtraction of 4-digit numbers and numbers to one decimal place
- Measure- length, weight and area
- Symmetry
- Data Handling- graphs, frequency tables, databases and questionnaires





Health And Wellbeing

This term we will be:

Learning about what makes a good friend and how to be a good friend. We will explore positive relationships and how to recognise and deal with peer pressure. We will also learn about keeping ourselves safe and what we should do in emergency situations.

PE:

This term we will be improving our stamina and fitness levels through circuit training and the bleep test. We will be learning the skills and techniques used in basketball and volleyball.

Learning Across the Curriculum

Social Studies – We will be continuing to learn about The Swinging Sixties and preparing for our class showcase.

Science – We will be exploring the structure of the earth and learning about volcanoes and different types of rock.

Music – We will be learning some songs from the Sixties for our class showcase and some seasonal songs for the Christmas Concert.

ICT – We will be using Powerpoint to create slideshows for our class showcase.

Important Information

Physical Education

P.E days are **Tuesdays** and **Fridays**. Please remind your child to bring their PE kit- they should wear shorts underneath their uniform if possible. We will also have a fitness session on **Tuesday**- trainers should be worn but shorts are not required.

Ready Steady Learn

Ready Steady Learns will be sent home on Friday and should be signed and returned on Monday.

Please continue to contact me via the school office, email or Ready Steady Learn book if you have any concerns or worries.

Thank you for your continued support.







