

Room 9 - Term 2

Newsletter

Literacy

Literacy: This term we will continue to use the North Lanarkshire Active Literacy approach. The children will have spelling words weekly, learning new phonemes or rules. This will be supported by our homework tasks.

Reading: We will be focussing on understanding texts, responding to literal, inferential and evaluative questions, using evidence from the text when necessary. We will also learn to discuss structure, characterisation and setting.

Grammar: We will be consolidation our use of more varied punctuation including commas, dashes and brackets in our everyday writing. We will also be learning how to accurately use speech within our story writing.

Writing: Mrs Colquhoun will be continuing to support the children in class during Writing sessions. The main focus this term will be functional writing, creating various different types of writing from reports and letters to recipes. The children will continue to be encouraged to use their knowledge of VCOP to enhance their daily writing.

Numeracy

Whole Class

- revise our times tables and mental arithmetic
- continue to develop knowledge of the four functions - addition, subtraction, multiplication and division

Circles

- multiplication/division of 3-digit values by a 2-digit value
- number sequences and identifying patterns including negative numbers and multiples and factors.
- number processes, introducing tenths as a decimal and fraction
- adding 10, 100 and 1000 and decimal fractions to one decimal place withing 4 digits
- subtraction, whole numbers and decimal fractions to one decimal place within 4 digits
- symmetry in 2D shapes
- weight, reading scales and converting mg, g and kg
- data handling, using bar graphs, charts, tables

Triangles

- expressions and equations using function machines, missing number calculations and statements using $>$, $<$, $=$
- calculating the area of a shape
- formal addition and subtraction methods
- weight, reading scales and working with grams and kilograms
- multiplying (commutative law) and dividing
- data handling, using bar graphs, charts, tables

Mrs Jones

Primary 5

Health And Wellbeing

Our focus for term 2 will be exploring topics and activities relating to Metacognition, we will be focussing on identifying our skills/abilities and recognising areas which need development to enable us to set meaningful targets within our learning.

PE:

P.E days will be on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**. Please remind your child to bring their PE kit - they should wear shorts underneath their uniform if possible.

On Tuesdays, PE will be taught by Ms Potter. On Thursdays we will be developing our exercise, movement and dance skills by working in teams to create challenges for our peers. We will also be participating in games linking to our focus on fairness (turn-taking), kindness (supporting others) and responsibility (team player/leadership).

Learning Across the Curriculum

Social Studies – This term we will be investigating Caledonia and how our nation has been impacted by the Romans.

Science – As part of our Roman civilisation topic, we will look at resources used in Roman times and how technology and materials have developed throughout the ages.

RME – We will focus on the Christian festival of Christmas.

ICT – Using online storage space (Google Classroom) to collaborate, access learning and complete tasks across the curriculum including numeracy, literacy and social studies.

Music – FUNdamentals of music, an external organisation, will be conducting our music lessons.

Drama – The class will investigate Roman plays based around mythology, notably Heracles.

Important Information

If there is anything that you wish to communicate to the teacher/school, please note it in your child's Ready Steady Learn which will be sent home weekly. Please take time to discuss with your son/daughter any comments made by the teacher in the RSL and assist your child in completing their personal comment before signing and returning it to school on Monday morning.

Please ensure that any clothing or personal items such as lunch boxes and water bottles are clearly labelled with your child's name and class to prevent them from getting lost. I encourage all children to take their water bottle home every evening to allow them to be properly cleaned and filled with fresh water for the next day.

Children are permitted to bring their own personal hand sanitiser to school but must not share with other pupils due to allergies.

