

Room 9 - Term 3

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 continue to read fictional texts while developing our metacognition, visualisation, metalinguistic, inference and summarising skills. We will be developing our ability to include evidence from text in written responses. This term will include a focus on non-fiction texts where we will be working on our comprehension and para-phrasing skills.

Grammar: We will be consolidation our use of VCOP in our daily writing while building our stamina for writing. We will be developing our vocabulary skills by using thesaurus' and learning about metaphors and similes help uplevel our writing. As part of our non-fiction focus, we will learn how to note-take, organise information and create fact-files.

Writing: Mrs Smith will support the children in class during Writing sessions. The main focus this term will be Our main focus this term will be **Imaginative Writing** where we will explore techniques used to develop characters, setting and plot. All children will continue to plan, review and edit their writing according to their individual writing levels.

Numeracy

Whole Class

- revise our times tables and mental arithmetic
- consolidate formal written methods of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division

Circles

- ordering and comparing fractions
- rounding, sequencing and comparing decimals
- finding percentages of whole numbers
- linking fractions, decimals and percentages
- time-converting and recording 12/24 hours
- reading/interpreting calendars/timetables
- multiplying 3 digits by 1 digit
- BODMAS
- division with remainders

Triangles

- relationships between addition and subtraction
- estimating and rounding
- multiplying by 10 and 100/2 digit values by a single digit
- division by 10 and 100/2 digit values by a single digit with remainders
- ordering and comparing fractions
- converting between digital and analogue time

Mrs Jones

Primary 5

Health And Wellbeing

Our focus for term 3 will be our topic – ‘An Upstream Battle’, which will see us look at the impact of our daily life choices on the seas and oceans across the World. This will include a focus on the Global Goals, litter and lifestyle choices.

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 in PE, gymnastics will be taught by Ms Potter and on Thursdays Mrs Forsyth will lead the children in tennis training.

Learning Across the Curriculum

Social Studies – This term we will be looking at environmental studies, including map skills and land use, through our topic.

Science – As part of our topic we will investigate floating and sinking as well as how materials dissolve.

RME – We will briefly look at some world religions and beliefs which have ties to ocean life.

ICT – We will continue to develop our ability to use 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 continue to lead our music lessons.

Drama – The class will foster their creativity, build on their teamwork skills and increase their understanding of the ocean’s eco-system and its inhabitants.

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.

