

Room 8 - Term 2 Newsletter

Literacy

Reading

All of Primary 7 will be finishing Wonder then they will be splitting into groups to work on smaller novels to develop their fluency and comprehension skills

Group 1 will study War Horse and Group 2 will complete The Demon Headmaster

1. Prior Knowledge – making connections between what has been read and our everyday lives
2. Metalinguistics – learning definitions and how to use new and unknown words from the text
3. Visualisations - displaying an understanding of what has been read through mind-maps, timelines and story plans
4. Inferences – identifying where the author uses inference and why
5. Main themes – discussing the main themes which arise in a text
6. Summarising – summarising what has been read in our own words

Writing and Spelling

We will be continuing to develop our writing skills through Talk For Writing. This term we will be focusing on style and vocabulary as part of our fiction block and for our non-fiction block, we will be focusing on instructions and persuasive writing.

Grammar will be linked to our writing focus throughout the week.

Spelling words will continue to be given out on Monday and practiced daily using a variety of active approaches.

Numeracy

This term, we will:

Whole Class

- revise previously taught subjects from term 1
- revise our times tables and mental arithmetic
- be continuing to develop our problem solving skills

<u>Pyramids</u>	<u>Cubes</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• addition and subtraction within whole numbers and decimal fractions to two decimal places within 5 digits• Written methods• measure -length, weight, and area• data handling- databases, mean, mode and medium• symmetry	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• addition and subtraction of whole numbers and decimal fractions• word problems• measure- length, weight and area• co-ordinates• interpret maps with simple scale• data handling- probability and chance, graphs and databases, frequency tables

Primary 7

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Health and Wellbeing

This term the children will be looking at Substance Misuse and explore peer pressure. We will:

- discuss influences and peer pressure – who are good role models and why?
- learn about illegal and legal drugs and the effect they have on the body
- participate in circle time to share thoughts and feelings
- participate in role play activities to highlight what to do in difficult situations
- identify risks in certain situations

Other Curricular Areas

Physical Education

P.E days will be on **Wednesday and Thursday**. The children will develop their badminton and tennis skills as well as participating in Scottish Dance.

On a **Tuesday** the children will take part in a 30 minute fitness session. We will be looking at stamina and exploring different circuit stations this term.

Topic

Our topic this term will be Japan.

Expressive Arts

Art and drama linked to our topic

Technology

Using ICT to enhance learning

Use technology to complete data handling activities

Science

Genetics and inherited characteristics

Forces, electricity and waves forces

R.M.E

Hinduism – looking at the main beliefs, festivals and ceremonies

Christianity- Christmas story

Ready Steady Learn

Ready Steady Learns will be used as normal and should be signed and returned with your child 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.

