



Tinto Primary School

Primary 4 - Miss Harrison

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Term 2 Overview

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Welcome to Primary 4 with Miss Harrison! We have so many exciting learning opportunities planned this year in the class, which we hope you will be able to share with us on open afternoons, through our app and from the pupils discussing their day with you. At the start of each term, you will receive this booklet to keep you up to date with the terms learning. We hope this helps you discuss your child's learning with them, encouraging them to share their experiences and knowledge and celebrate each and every success along the way. Many of our pupils will also receive an additional letter which shows their personal targets for supported learning and areas of challenge where required. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Numeracy and Mathematics

This term in Numeracy and Maths, we will be building on our understanding of key mathematical concepts and developing essential skills for problem-solving and pattern recognition.

Subtraction: Pupils will continue to practise strategies to use when subtracting three-digit numbers, as well as subtracting multiples of 10 and 100 up to 1000.

Multiplication and Division: We will explore various strategies to learn multiplication and times tables including, repeated addition, grouping, arrays, and using known multiplication facts. Pupils will learn different ways to solve division problems, such as using repeated subtraction, equal groups, and arrays.

Patterns and Relationships: We will create and describe number patterns, using skip counting (2s, 5s, and 10s) and exploring patterns in the multiplication tables and hundred square. We will practise counting forwards and backwards in 2s, 5s, and 10s from any number up to 1000.

Homework

In Primary 4, our weekly spelling and common words will be shared via Google Classroom on a Monday. We practise these daily in class however, further practise and consolidation of these words at home provide excellent support and revision.

Reading books will be issued on a weekly basis or more frequently if requested (sent home/returned on a Monday). These books will not be our class readers. Home readers will be at an easier level to enable children to practise and enjoy reading.

Language and Literacy

This term in Reading, we will work on understanding and responding to a range of texts. We will focus on identifying main ideas, key details, and making predictions. We will create questions about the text and share our thoughts and ideas clearly.

Children will continue to build their reading skills by using strategies such as sounding out words, using picture clues, and re-reading to improve understanding. They will also focus on reading fluently and with expression, paying attention to punctuation and meaning.

In writing, we will develop our ability to write expositions to communicate opinions and ideas clearly and persuasively. The focus is on structuring arguments logically, using evidence effectively, and demonstrating an understanding of audience and purpose.

Target Setting

Throughout this year, your child will be setting a series of targets for themselves, challenging their learning and striving for excellence. The targets which your child sets will stem from our termly overview targets and be personalised to specific areas which your child may wish to challenge themselves in, or have found challenging in their learning.

The children are excited to share their targets and learning with you, through the launch of our new digital purple portfolios. They have been working hard to upload, edit and share their work digitally alongside their targets and achievements.

You can also see our 'I am Remarkable' achievements on the pupils websites and share in our wonderful achievements.

Science

In Science this term we will be exploring materials and their properties through a range of experiments and activities.

This topic will help pupils develop an understanding of materials, how they behave in different conditions, and how to apply this knowledge to solve practical challenges. Pupils will explore solids dissolving in water, investigate the properties of materials, and learn how to select the right materials for different tasks.

We will also explore 'Inheritance' by comparing generations of families, humans, plants and animals to help us understand how characteristics are inherited.

ICT and Technologies

This term, in our Technology lessons, we will be focusing on developing simple food preparation skills. Pupils will have the opportunity to explore and practise a range of simple techniques, gaining hands-on experience and learning about the importance of food safety.

We will continue to focus on exploring and experimenting with digital technologies. One exciting way we will do this is through Stop Motion Animation. Your child will have the opportunity to create their own animations, learning how to use digital tools to bring stories to life.