

Curriculum for Excellence

What are we learning this term?



Primary 4

Term 2

Language & Literacy  We will be developing our use of Active Literacy this term focusing on comprehension strategies and writing tasks. This term we will focus on- • Use of adjectives, adverbs, verbs and sentence structure. • Further developing our Imaginative Writing skills including using various stimuli including our senses for Autumn themed poetry and exploring the story of Little Red Riding Hood, focusing on setting. • We will continue to develop our skills in reading for information and using various strategies, skimming, scanning, and questioning. • Our novel study will be Grandad Mandela.	Social Studies  This term, we are focusing on Global Citizenship, with a focus on- • Exploring the Rights of People around the world and how they differ. • Learning about Global Goal 2- Zero Hunger/ 12 Sustainable Communities/ 17 Partnerships for the Goals • Looking at the similarities and differences of the children's lives in other countries compared to ours. • Exploring geography based on where we are in the world, including countries, continents, oceans and seas.	Health & Wellbeing • In PE, we will be developing our skills in orienteering. We will also be developing our skills in fielding and striking games and later in the term we will be learning Scottish dances. • In health and wellbeing, we will be developing our understanding of 'Achieving' and 'Nurturing'. • We will also be further developing our understanding of children's rights as a Rights Respecting School. 	Religious & Moral • Our focus this term will be on 'Miracles'. Through exploring Bible stories, we will look at some beliefs Christians have about God and Jesus. • We will further develop our understanding of values such as caring, sharing, fairness, equality and love. • Later in the term, we will look at aspects of Christmas Traditions and learning about Saint Nicholas.
Numeracy & Mathematics This term, we will further develop our mental agility skills through Number Talks. We will also be developing skills in- • Subtraction and addition within 1000 and revision of times tables (2x, 3x, 4x 5x 10x) • Time • Money • We will be using addition, subtraction, multiplication and division to solve problems. 	Technologies We will be using our ICT skills to enhance our learning across the curriculum. We will also develop our use of- • Microsoft packages • Google Classroom • Sumdog • Microbits We will also make crafts for our Christmas Enterprise and have a go at sewing!	Science  In science, we will be investigating Dissolving. We will investigate the properties of different materials and identify substances which are soluble and insoluble.	Expressive Arts  In art, we will develop skills in painting and colour. In drama, we will develop our performance skills through our school Christmas Show. In music we will be learning and performing our songs for our Coffee and Carols Evening and our Christmas Show. In dance we will learning traditional ceilidh dances.

Home Learning Opportunities

Language & Literacy  Read for pleasure! Read your class reading book every night. Talk to a parent or carer about what you are reading. Read your favourite story to someone else. Practise your spelling words using active spelling strategies.	Social Studies  Talk to an adult at home about the differences between rights in our country and other countries around the world. Find ways at home to look after the environment- e.g. recycling, energy use, food waste.	Health & Wellbeing  Create a set of rules for the MUGA. Go outside and play! Learn a new sport. Talk about dealing with winning and losing the right way.	Religious & Moral Go to the library and research the key values of Christianity and how they might be put into action in lives and communities. Retell a miracle story you have learned about in class and discuss at home. Find out about different Christmas traditions in our community. What Christmas traditions do you have?
Numeracy & Mathematics  Practice your number talk strategies. Practise quick fire mental maths addition, subtraction, multiplication and division on a whiteboard with a partner. Play a maths game on Sumdog or Top Marks.	Technologies  Discuss internet safety with people at home. Go to the Museum of Transport and see if you can find Mark Beaumont's round the World bicycle. Write a story using the microphone function on Google Docs. Log on to Google Classroom and Sumdog. Use MakeCode website to code a microbit	Science  Visit the Science Centre. As the weather gets colder, look for signs of freezing and melting liquids- what affects how quickly this happens? Visit the British Science week website for lots of fun experiments an adult can help you do! Help make the dinner and see what ingredients dissolve! https://www.britishscienceweek.org/	Expressive Arts  Visit a gallery or museum. Keep a sketch book of places you visit. Design your own Christmas Cards. Paint, draw and be creative. Practise the songs for the school show and Coffee and Carols.

Here are some activities for you to try at home!