



Language & Literacy This term we will focus on- - Higher order thinking reading strategies including connecting, questioning, skimming and scanning. - We will also be studying our class novel, <i>'The Iron Man'</i>. - In grammar we will focus on adverbs, suffixes and direct speech. - In Talk for Writing we will focus on imaginative writing before moving onto report and information writing. - Active Spelling strategies - In French and BSL, we will focus on the weather and the calendar. 	Social Studies This term we will focus on The Planets of the Solar System. We will – - Develop our knowledge and understanding of topical science. - Observe and research features of our solar system. - Explore the contribution that individuals are making to scientific discovery and invention and the impact this has made on society. - Integrate our sustainability focus of jobs of the future by watching and reporting back on videos by STEAM professionals. 	Health & Wellbeing  - In PE, we will be developing skills in striking and fielding, orienteering and swimming. - Our H&W focus is 'Achieving and Nurturing'. Achievements will be explored through looking at our hobbies and skills and motivating factors which may influence us. - In addition, we will also be further developing our understanding of children's rights as a Rights Respecting School.	Religious & Moral - In RME, we will be focusing on 'Ways of Life' in Christianity and World Religions through sacred writings and artefacts. - Later in the term, we will be exploring Christmas symbols and the origins of Advent.
Numeracy & Mathematics This term, we will further develop our mental agility skills through Number Talks.  We will also be developing skills in- - Addition and subtraction beyond 1000, including problem solving and enquiry. - Time. - Multiplication and division using a variety of mental and written methods. - Money.	Technologies We will be using our ICT skills to enhance our learning across the curriculum. We will also develop our use of- - Google Classroom - Internet Safety - iPad & Microsoft applications - Sumdog - Sphero Indis In technology, we will create our Christmas Enterprise crafts. 	Science  In Science, we will be investigating The Solar System. We will investigate- - The planets of the Solar System. - The order of the planets. - The size and temperatures of the planets. - The features of the planets. Later in the term, we will investigate topical science and science in the news. 	Expressive Arts  - In art, we will develop skills in colour and painting. - In dance, we will learn and perform traditional Scottish dances. - We will be practising and performing our Christmas show and the Coffee and Carols Service. - In drama we will use our Talk for Writing as a stimulus for role play.

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. Write a book review, giving your opinion on your book. Practise your spelling words using active spelling strategies & word games. Summarise a book/ TV show/ film. Practise your French vocabulary.	Social Studies Create a fact file on a planet of your choice. Create a model of a planet of your choice and upload photograph to GC. Invent a fictional alien. Label with his needs and his suitability to live on a particular planet. Research a famous professional in STEAM and create a poster about their job. 	Health & Wellbeing  Create a set of rules for the MUGA. Go outside and play! Discuss a recent achievement you have had in your life with an adult or a friend. Set yourself some fitness goals and keep an exercise log to track your progress.	Religious & Moral Find out about the sacred writings for another of the major religions. Research an artefact from a major World Religion and its importance. Make your own Advent Calendar.
Numeracy & Mathematics  Practise all multiplication tables and quickfire number facts recall every night. Identify patterns you see between the tables. Design your own Maths board game for addition, subtraction or multiplication. Practise your maths skills on Sumdog.	Technologies  Use the microphone function on Google Docs to write a story. Research your topic. Discuss internet safety and social media with people at home. What are their views? Visit 'Scratch' and practise your coding skills. Use Google Classroom or Sumdog at home.	Science  Look at the night sky and identify some constellations. Visit the Dark Skies Observatory. Make a model Solar System. Visit the GSC Planetarium. Make some Solar System Top Trumps. Visit the NASA Kids website. 	Expressive Arts  Visit a gallery or museum. Print your own Christmas wrapping paper. Design your own Christmas cards Teach one of the dances you have learned to your family. 

Here are some activities for you to try at home!