



What are we learning this term?

Language & Literacy  Primary 1 Children will take part in SLC's 'Foundations of Literacy in Primary 1'. This will involve literacy skills through: - Phonological awareness activities - Stories/poems/songs - Vocabulary building - Listening and Talking - Getting ready to write activities Thereafter, children will begin to learn the initial phonic sounds and how to blend them to read simple words. Primary 2 We will develop our use of Active Literacy strategies to help us learn our phonemes and spelling words. In Reading, we will continue to develop word attack strategies to help with decoding new words focus on predicting, connecting and determining importance within texts. In handwriting, we will focus on letter formation and writing our full names. In writing, we will develop skills in storytelling using the Talk for Writing programme, and Jack and The Beanstalk as a context. In grammar, we will focus on using the alphabet, nouns and adjectives.	Social Studies  This term our topics are 'Sustainable Strathaven' We will focus on- - Global Goal 3-Good Health and Wellbeing. - Thinking about how we can ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all ages within our town. - Developing a message of hope for the future. And 'Toys'. We will focus on – - Comparing the features of old and new toys. - Learning about toys from around the world. - Investigating how different toys are made. - Looking at the materials used to make toys.	Health & Wellbeing  In P.E. we will be developing our skills in gymnastics. Later on in the term we will focus on skills required to play rebound games. In Health and Wellbeing, we will focus on the importance of being safe and secure. We will also be looking at how unsafe behaviour can be harmful to wellbeing. Using our Do-Be Mindful activities we will be introduced to the programme through practical, oral and written tasks. We will also learn techniques to help maintain positive mental health. In addition, we will also be further developing our understanding of children's rights as a Rights Respecting School and developing our class charter.	Religious & Moral  This term we will focus on 'How We Treat Each Other' and the understanding that we are all different. We will develop respect for others and develop our understanding of their beliefs and values. We will be reading the story 'The Proudest Blue' to help us with this learning.
Numeracy & Mathematics  Primary 1 We will learn to: - Count forwards and backwards up to 30 - Recognise and write numerals - Correctly count objects using 1:1 correspondence - Take part in Number Talk discussions about mental maths strategies - Sort items by size, shape and colour Primary 2 This term we will further develop our mental agility skills using Number talks. We will also be developing skills in: Numerals- reading writing, ordering and reciting numbers to 20 starting from any odd or even number. Counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. Place Value- zero as a place holder and making teen numbers using tens and ones Estimating and rounding.	Technologies  We will be using ICT skills to enhance our learning across the curriculum. We will explore educational games on the CTOUCH/iPad with support. In addition to this, we will enhance our learning through the use of programmable toys such as Sphero Indis.	Science  Our Science topic will link in with our Social Studies topic of Toys. We will focus on – - Recognising simple types of forces on toys and other objects - Investigating forces on toys and other objects - Predicting the effect on the shape or motion of objects - Exploring a variety of ways of making sounds, through play	Expressive Arts  In Art, we will develop skills in drawing and printing. In Music we will listen to and respond to different types of music, through the Charanga Programme. In drama, we will use different texts as stimuli for role play and retelling stories.

Home Learning Opportunities

Here are some activities for you to try at home!

Language & Literacy  Primary 1 - Practise writing your name with crayons, pens or pencils - Play 'I Spy' to practise your words - Make sounds and words using playdoh, Lego, pasta or flour - Retell a story you have listened to at school Primary 2 - Read for pleasure! - Visit the library - Read your reading book to an adult and discuss the story - Active Literacy – practise phonemes and spelling common words	Social Studies  Discuss with parents or grandparents what toys and games you played with when you were in Primary 1 and Primary 2. Create a new game and share it with a friend.	Health & Wellbeing  Play outside! Walk or cycle to school. Practise getting changed and tying your laces independently. Talk to an adult about how to stay safe. Visit Strathaven Park.	Religious & Moral  Be kind and helpful to others. Tell an adult why it is important to share and care for others. Share your learning about how we are all different to a family member or friend. Talk to your family about being kind and respectful to others and explain how you show these values.
Numeracy & Mathematics  Primary 1 - Sing number songs and rhymes - Sort your toys smallest to largest - Pair up your socks - Practise writing numbers 0-10 - Play dice games Primary 2 - Practise your number formation 0-20 - Practise adding and subtracting mentally and talk about how you got your answer - Recite days of the week and months of the year songs - Look at a calendar and discuss days/months of the year - Count aloud during everyday experiences. E.g., Climbing steps, counting out Lego pieces, how peas are on your plate? - Practise counting on and back to 30 and beyond. - Practise counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.	Technologies  Research facts about different toys made in different countries. Practise your keyboard skills on BBC Dance Mat. Research facts about Strathaven. Play numeracy games using Topmarks. Practise number and letter formation using Doorway Online.	Science  Help with recycling at home. Visit the Glasgow Science Centre. Speak to an adult about news articles related to science. Go on a wildlife walk with an adult and draw the insects, birds and animals you see. Explore the toys you have at home; how do they work?	Expressive Arts  Draw a picture of yourself with your family. Draw your dream town to live in. Draw a map of Strathaven labelling your favourite parts. Practise drawing using different materials-pencils, pens, chalks and pastels. Listen to your favourite music and dance!