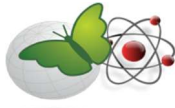




What are we learning this term?

Language & Literacy This term we will focus on- - Higher order thinking reading strategies including prediction, determining importance and connecting and comparing. - We will develop our grammar skills, focusing on sentences, nouns, verbs and adjectives. - In writing, we will use our Talk for Writing programme to explore the story of Nail Soup focusing on sentences and vocabulary. We will also develop our instructional writing. - In talking and listening, we will be taking part in debates in class. - For French we will focus on greetings, colours and numbers. 	Social Studies This term our topic is 'Sustainable Strathaven' in connection with our Science Topic of Renewable Energy. We will explore Global Goal 7 – affordable and clean energy. We will focus on: - Different types of energy around us and their importance to everyday life - Combining simple components in a series circuit to make a game/ model. - Understanding conservation of materials and resources and considering the impact of our actions on the environment. We will also visit Whitelees Wind Farm this term to bring our learning to life!	Health & Wellbeing  In PE we will be developing our skills through gymnastics and rebound games, focusing on movement, co-ordination and teamwork. - We will develop our knowledge of safety at home and in school, including road safety. - We will be learning to assess and manage risk, to protect ourselves and others. - In addition, 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 developing respect for others and understanding their beliefs and values. We will be looking at 'Ways of Life'. This will focus on 'Places and Ways of Worship' and 'The Power of Prayer'. By exploring some places and investigating artefacts, we will develop our knowledge of the beliefs of world religions and our awareness of their role in Scottish society and the world.
Numeracy & Mathematics This term, we will further develop our mental agility skills. We will also be developing skills in- - Place value to at least 4 digits. - Estimating and rounding to the nearest 10 and 100. - Numbers up to 10,000 – recite, write, order. - Using addition and subtraction – mental and written methods. - Developing our confidence in exploring different strategies through Number Talks. - Number Talks will be embedded within maths lessons. 	Technologies  We will be using our ICT skills to enhance our learning across the curriculum. We will also develop our use of- - Microsoft Office Applications - Keyboard skills - Internet Safety - iPad applications In addition, we will use digital technology to consolidate maths and literacy skills through a variety of online games including Sumdog.	Science  In Science, our focus will link with and be explored through our Social Studies topic of Sustainable Strathaven as we explore Renewable Energy. 	Expressive Arts  - In art, we will be investigating drawing and printing, and applying our learning to create a variety of artwork relating to our topics. - In music we will follow the Charanga programme to explore listening, singing and playing instruments using a variety of genres. - In drama, our role play will be linked to our topic, Talk for Writing and health activities.

Home Learning Opportunities

Language & Literacy Read for pleasure! Read your class reading book. Visit the library. Talk to a parent or carer about what you are reading. Practise your spelling words using active spelling strategies. Write your own story, including character descriptions. Create a story map to help you plan it and follow the structure of Nail Soup. 	Social Studies Record how many journeys you make and try to walk, cycle or scoot on as many as you can.  Try to reduce the amount of plastic packaging in your lunchbox/ snack.	Health & Wellbeing  Go outside and play! Take your pulse before and after some strenuous exercise. What do you notice? Make a list of ways to stay safe near roads. This will be useful preparation for our road safety competition entries!	Religious & Moral  Find out about the different faiths in your community. Design a poster to encourage people to be kind to each other. Create a model of a place of worship you have seen/ visited or are interested in. Look at different stained-glass windows and design your own using card and tracing paper.
Numeracy & Mathematics  - Practise quick fire mental maths addition and subtraction on a whiteboard with a partner. - Practise the multiplication tables - Play a maths game on Top Marks - Create your own maths game and share with a friend	Technologies  Discuss internet safety and with people at home. Practise your keyboard skills on BBC Dance Mat. Write a story using the microphone function on Google Docs. Design and build a castle of your own design.	Science   Visit a recycling centre or wind farm with family. Help out with the recycling at home. Try to reduce the amount of energy you are using at home- switch off lights etc.	Expressive Arts  Visit a gallery or museum. Keep a sketchbook where you can practise drawing techniques. Design a poster to encourage people to save energy. Think about your favourite music and share why you enjoy it with a friend.

Here are some activities for you to try at home!

