



Knightsridge Primary School

Primary 7 Newsletter – Term 1



News



Welcome to our first Primary 7 newsletter– it will be a fantastic final year of Primary school for all our pupils – even if it is in different circumstances! We have had a successful start to the term with a positive class ethos where we try to demonstrate our school values and celebrate our differences. We enjoyed the opportunity to link learning across the curriculum using “The Little Iceberg” as our focus, including musical emotions, artistic recreations of the characters, topical science and exploring the geography. Our descriptions of the main characters were beautifully written and recorded by confident pupils. We have been using technology to familiarise ourselves with GLOW and using Teams to complete tasks. This week during Maths Week Scotland we were lucky to take part in an authors’ visit (virtually) and were amazed by Dekko Comics and learning Maths in a new style, creating our own comics. We hope you enjoyed our sneaky peek inside our classroom in the “Come Visit My Class” video and I am looking forward to sharing further news and developments in our Parent Consultations later this month.

What You Need & When...

After the October holiday our PE will be on Tuesdays with Mrs Ferguson – please dress appropriately for the weather as this will be outdoor learning.

Please bring a water bottle daily and a healthy snack for break time. Remember everything else is provided so you don’t need to bring anything from home.

As the seasons change please ensure you have a warm jacket for the playground and a jumper for the classroom as windows are open for ventilation.

Our Learning Summary

Literacy

We have been developing our descriptive writing skills this term which have included descriptions of the Great Wall of China and our ideal courtyard playground. We have been working towards producing an autobiography, writing all about ourselves and sharing this information in a solo class talk. In Reading, we are focused on improving our discussion, questioning and comprehension skills in non-fiction texts. We have been analysing digital clips from Blue Planet, predicting, clarifying and summarising the information.

Numeracy & Maths

This term in Maths & Numeracy we have concentrated on identifying and explaining different strategies for word problems. We have definitely improved our recall of number facts and are more confident when using addition, subtraction, multiplication & division to solve real life problems. Maths Week Scotland has given us the opportunity to focus on accuracy and speed when competing in a Scottish schools competition.

Health & Wellbeing

Our focus in Primary 7 this term has been to develop a nurturing and positive classroom. We worked together using an understanding of our Rights to create a Class Charter with our roles and responsibilities clearly agreed. We have been exploring the links between our emotions and behaviour, sharing experiences and vocabulary while learning how to manage and regulate those emotions which contributes to our inclusive, safe and successful classroom. In PE we have been concentrating on improving our fitness and stamina using interval training.

Important Dates

October

5th – KPS Money Week.

9th – Begin October Holidays

21st – Return from October holidays

28th – Parent Consultations

29th – Parent Consultations



Home Help

Home learning grids will be coming home after the October holidays. Pupils will be able to access this on Teams and grids will be posted on our KPS website too. In the meantime continue to develop good study habits at home:

- Read for 15-20 mins daily
- Sumdog
- News updates
- Times Tables

Communication

Twitter

Please continue to follow our learning journey with regular updates on the

Knightsridge Twitter page
@KnightsridgePr1 and our
Primary 7 class page
@MrsMcLellanKPS



Updates will also be posted on our KPS website & school blog
<https://knightsridge.westlothian.org.uk/>