



Knightsridge Primary School

Primary 6/5 Newsletter – Term 2



News

It is hard to believe we are well into our second school term already! We are good at following the rules and routines we need to keep ourselves safe in class and around the school. We continue every day to demonstrate our school values of **Kindness, Perseverance** and **Success** and our vision to **Be the Best We Can Be**. We have been working hard and will continue to do so, on our Numeracy, Literacy, Technology and Health & Wellbeing skills. We have had a visit from Mr Ross, our drumming instructor, and some of us are really looking forward to taking up drumming lessons very soon. As the nights are getting darker we will be learning about keeping ourselves safe during our Road Safety week.



What You

Need & When...

- Please provide your child with a bottle of water (this can be taken home daily for cleaning) and a snack to have with their morning milk in class.
- PE will be on a Thursday with Mrs Anderson.
- As we get into the winter months please ensure your child comes to school each day with a warm jacket and suitable footwear.

Our Learning Summary

Literacy

- Developing reading strategies – focus on Predicting, Questioning, Clarifying and Summarising
- Novel study – “The Boy at the Back of the Class” – linked learning around issues within this story
- Writing – Persuasive Genre – writing an exposition (one-sided argument), focusing on correct layout and recommended language. During Book Week Scotland, writing a story set in the future
- Listening & Talking throughout the curriculum
- Grammar – consistent and correct use
- Use French in everyday routines and recall learned vocabulary with increasing confidence. Our focus this term will be Greetings, Weather, the Calendar, Colours and Personal Information
- Spelling – focus on accurate spelling in all areas and learning new patterns and rules

Numeracy & Mathematics

- Estimating and Rounding numbers
- Data Handling – interpreting information from a table, bar graph or pictograph. Carrying out a simple survey, displaying results
- Identifying a line of symmetry and creating a symmetrical shape accurately
- Identifying the position of an object on a co-ordinate grid
- Recognising and naming 2d and 3d shapes and their properties (Shape Weeks focus)
- Fractions

Health & Wellbeing

- Class Charter, rules & routines
- Enhanced COVID-19 Health & Safety – keeping ourselves safe & healthy
- Emotional vocabulary - considering our emotions, behaviour, body sensations, triggers and regulation strategies
- School Values embedded throughout the curriculum and shared and celebrated in weekly whole-school assemblies
- Anti-bullying week focus – considering others
- Road Safety and how we can keep ourselves safe when moving around in the community
- Diversity – celebrating our differences and understanding our diverse culture

Term 2: Important Dates

- Home Learning Grids (monthly)
- Spelling keywords weekly
- W/b 16/11/20 – Anti-bullying Week and Book Week Scotland (virtual author visit)
- W/b 16/11/20 – Book Week Scotland
- 18/11/20 Flu immunisation
- W/b 23/11/20 – Road Safety Week
- W/b 30/11/20 and 7/12/20 – Shape Weeks
- 10/12/20 Christmas Lunch
- 11/12/20 Christmas Jumper Day
- Week beginning 14/12/20 class Christmas event



Home Help



- Home learning – posted on Teams and Glow Blogs
- Reading for enjoyment and as a skill for life. For example, reading news headlines, recipes, signs in shops, street names
- Practise mental calculations – learning times tables
- Regular bedtimes to ensure a good rest and sleep
- Continued consolidation of learning on Sumdog and Mathletics (children have their log-in and password details)

Communication

- School email - wlknightsridge-ps@westlothian.org.uk
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