

# Primary 6/7 Newsletter

October - December 2019

We have a lot of learning to pack in this year. Here are some of the highlights for term 2:



## Numeracy & Maths

### P7 Numeracy

- Decimals
- Counting and calculating with decimals up to 3 places.
- Order of operations – BODMAS

### Maths

- Measure.
- Calculating force, speed and angles
- Measuring weight and volume.

### P6 Numeracy

- Order of operations – BODMAS
- Division Strategies

### Maths

- Measure.
- Investigating angles, area and perimeter.
- Measuring with mixed units.

## Interdisciplinary Learning

In topic this term we will be identifying different types of transport, considering their advantages and disadvantages. We will be investigating future modes of transport, looking into the science and technology behind them such as forces, different types of energy, batteries and electricity. We will also be experimenting and designing with our own ideas for future transport.

## Literacy & English



### P7 Reading:

- Using elements of reading to give opinion on author's purpose.
- Synthesising new information into my own words.

### Writing:

- Focus on writing a response to a text, conveying general and personal judgements about a text with evidence.
- Summarising.

### Listening & Talking:

- The focus will be on explaining a process or idea that others can understand and follow.

### Tools for writing:

- Spelling
- Grammar – applying correct vocabulary for your purpose, i.e. using hyperbole, comparative or superlative adjectives.
- Editing techniques to review and up level writing.

### P6 Reading:

- Investigating different elements of reading, i.e authors voice, theme etc.
- Applying strategies to check understanding before and during reading.

### Writing:

- Focus on writing a response to a text, conveying general and personal judgements about a text with evidence.
- Summarising.

### Tools for writing:

- Spelling
- Grammar – applying correct vocabulary for your purpose, i.e. using possessive nouns, articles and adverbial phrases.
- Editing techniques to review and up level writing.

### Listening & Talking:

- The focus will be on identifying and breaking down a process or idea.

## Health & Wellbeing

As part of our health and wellbeing we will be reflecting on celebrating differences and staying safe online. In P.E. pupils will be focusing on the skills of hockey, whilst developing responsibility and respect. Futsal, with the external coaches, will continue for several more weeks where pupils will continue to develop football skills.

## Additional Information

- Homework will continue to be fortnightly, issued on a Wednesday on the school blog.
- Pupils should change to indoor shoes when they enter school in the morning, please send a change of shoes with your child if you have not already done so (indoor gym shoes are fine).
- PE days are Mondays and Thursdays, however PE kit should be in school each day. Appropriate for both indoor & outdoor. Pupils are allowed to wear their P.E. kit to school on P.E. days.
- Reading books and homework jotters should be brought to school **every day**, even if it is not due in.
- Pupils will need to find a novel of their own choosing for their Independent Reading Book.

If you have any comments, concerns or questions please feel free to contact me through the school office and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Thanks,  
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