

Calderwood Communicates: Primary 5 Termly Learning Letter Term 4 2022/23



Welcome to term 4 at Calderwood! We had fantastic end of term 3 with our trip to Glasgow Science Centre, what an adventure. For this new term we have planned lots of exciting learning experiences for and with our children in the P5 clans. We will be exploring our new focus of Cultivating Calderwood. We will be planting and growing our own sunflowers, measuring and recording their progress. We will be investigating the lifecycles and food chains in nearby habitats and exploring how science has inspired art.

This is an overview of all learning experiences offered. These experiences may be differentiated to support and challenge each child.

English & Literacy

Listening and Talking

- Group work through Cultivating Calderwood; developing how to communicate and listen to members of a team.
- Health and Wellbeing games and discussions; We will show respect by listening to others and building on the ideas of others.

Writing

- Information report genre: focusing on converting notes we have taken and selecting relevant information to write a text using our own words.
- Information report features: purpose, structure, and language features including adverbial phrases to make our sentences more interesting.
- Spelling focus: advanced technical vocabulary and building our own clan glossary.
- Continued practice of core writing targets; paragraphs, subheadings, clear and legible writing and layout.

Reading

- Using our knowledge of non-fiction texts to locate, gather and use relevant and useful information.
- Using key features of an information text; glossary, index, contents, to retrieve key information.
- Organising the information, we have found in our books into clear notes, using a method of our choice, and using our own words.
- Gathering information under sub-headings to organise notes into clear sections, using relevant information.
- Reciprocal reading skills focusing on predicting and clarifying, questioning and summarising.

One Plus Two

- French: time durations and describing clothes, discussing what we are wearing and what we wear in each season.
- Spanish: exploring classroom language

Numeracy & Maths

Numeracy

- Fractions of a shape
- Fractions of a number
- Explore, make and describe mixed numbers and improper fractions
- Add and subtract fractions
- Equivalent fractions
- Compare and order fractions
- Convert fractions to decimals

Maths

- Measure, exploring length, breadth, perimeter and area
- In Cultivating Calderwood, we will explore measure through planting and growing
- In PE and athletics, we will investigate and measure distance and create our own tracks and fields.

Health and Wellbeing

- Anti-bullying, focusing on abusive relationships and sexual abuse.
- Relationships and sexual health
- Investigating my changing body

P.E

- Cross country running; pace, stamina, speed, endurance.
- Athletics; a wide variety of track and field events.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Cultivating Calderood (Art, Science, Social Studies)

We will be exploring the water cycle and how it helps animals and plants. Planting our own flowers and vegetables, measuring their progress, investigating lifecycles and food chains and exploring local biomes. We also be discovering the artworks created by the artist Van Gogh and, using some of his styles and techniques, creating our own pieces.

Key questions to be explored:

1. What type of vegetables grow in Scotland?
2. Difference between fruit and vegetables?
3. Why are veg and fruit good for your health?
4. How do seeds grow roots?
5. How seeds know what side to grow out of?
6. How does the weather effect seeds?

• Discrete Learning

- Celebrating the coronation of King Charles III
- RME – Holidays and Celebrations
- Technology – Digital award week

Other information

Bramble Clan

PE Days:

- Wednesday – Outdoors
- Thursday - Arena

Miss Christie will be in class on Tuesdays from 12:00pm until home time.

Thistle Clan

PE Days:

- Monday – Outdoors
- Thursday - Arena

Miss Christie will be in class on Wednesdays from 12:00pm until home time.