

Calderwood Communicates: Primary 4 Termly Learning Letter Term 3 2023/24



Welcome to term 3 at Calderwood! We had fantastic end term 2 raising £70 in our Christmas enterprise fayre. For this new term we have planned lots of exciting learning experiences for and with our children in the P4 clans. We will be exploring the local history and geography of East Calder. We will be investigating the old and new village, mining community and key landmarks. This will run parallel with our learning around Scotland. We will be experiencing Scottish foods, music, dances and poems.

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

- Poetry Recital: reading and understanding Scottish language. We will be memorising a popular poem and reciting poems with added expressions and actions.
- Core Listening Skills; We will show respect by listening to other and giving positive feedback.

Writing

- Poetry genre focusing the Scots language.
- Spelling focus will be translating from Scots to English as well as continuing to develop our understanding of spelling rules.
- Core writing targets; separating ideas, consistent punctuation, regularly spelling common words correctly.

Reading

- Reading and understanding Scottish poems.
- Answering literal, inferential and evaluative questions using a structured sentence.
- Beginning to develop our skimming and scanning skills.
- Reciprocal reading skills focusing on predicting and clarifying.

One Plus Two

- French: weather and colours through real life sources, conversations and everyday discussions.

Numeracy & Maths

Numeracy

- Consolidating learning in subtraction and using a range of strategies to solve word problems.
- Multiplication using single and double digits.
- Recall times tables focusing on 9, 8 and 7.
- Make links between multiplication and division.

Maths

- Calendar and seasons
- Am and pm
- Digital and analogue clocks
- 2D shape and 3D objects

Health and Wellbeing

- Self- Esteem: reflecting on our actions and the actions of others, how your words can affect those around you, how words can impact you, beginning to create a positive environment.
- Online Safety: How we use the internet, how to keep ourselves safe and who to talk to if we feel uncertain or suspicious of something we have experienced online.
- Exploring similarity, diversity and respect for others we meet.

P.E

- Scottish country dancing.
- Outdoors; highland games.
- We will be exploring fitness; strength, stamina, flexibility, balance and speed.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Local Legends (Social Studies, Technologies, Literacy)

We will be exploring the history, geography and landmarks of East Calder. Exploring old and new housing, maps, pictures and stories from the community.

Key questions to be explored:

1. When and why was East Calder formed?
2. Who lived here?
3. When did Calderwood become part of East Calder?
4. What differences do we see between old and new housing? Why?
5. How can we continue to help support and protect our village?

Discrete Learning

- RME – Chinese New Year, Shrove Tuesday, Ash Wednesday, World Thinking Day
- STEM – accurate use of a search engine, recognising a reliable website, key computer function skills, key skills in Microsoft systems.

Other information

Dundee Clan

PE Days:

- Monday – Outdoors
- Thursday - Arena

Mr Allan will be in clan on Thursday morning until 11:30.

Aberdeen Clan

PE Days:

- Tuesday – Arena
- Wednesday - Outdoors

Miss Small will be in clan on Wednesday from 12:00pm until home time.

Stirling Clan

PE Days:

- Monday – Arena
- Wednesday - Outdoors

Mr Allan will be in clan on Monday from 12:00pm until home time.