

Calderwood Communicates:

Primary 6 Termly Learning Letter

Term 2 2024/25



Burns and Baird clan are so excited for all the fun learning we have planned for term 2. So far this term we have looked at friendships and explored what a good friendship looks like, feels like and sounds like. Primary 6 are looking forward to starting our new IDL topic – this is Literacy based and will be all about the adventures of our new furry clan mates.

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

English and Literacy

Listening and Talking

- We will continue to use Newsround as a daily opportunity for learners to practise their talking and listening skills by asking questions about what has been on the news that day.
- We will also practise public speaking as we read our scripts to our peers.

Writing

- We will be exploring Narrative writing this term. This will focus on using imagination and descriptive language within our own texts. We will also be analysing the types of audience we may have for our writing by using music and images as inspiration.
- Learners will learn different spelling rules each week and will use active spelling activities to consolidate their learning.
- In grammar we will be focusing on punctuation to help our writing flow.

Reading

- This term we will be focusing on the reciprocal reading strategies of inference and predicting. We will also be continuing to focus on reading aloud with fluency and expression.
- Pupils are encouraged to read fiction/non-fiction texts across the day for enjoyment.

One Plus Two

- In French this term, we will be learning how to say numbers up to 100. We will all be learning how to say the time and how to describe what the weather is like.
- In Spanish this term, we will be revising how to count up to 20 and also looking at how to describe what the weather is like.

Numeracy and Maths

Numeracy

- We will be exploring addition and subtraction strategies. Learners will build confidence in Numeracy as they use different strategies such as column sums, partitioning, mental strategies and concrete materials to support.
- We will also be exploring adding and subtracting multiples of 10, 100 and 1000.

Maths

- This term, we will be looking at 2D and 3D shapes. We will be exploring their properties and learning about regular and irregular polygons. We will be finding out about different types of triangles and their names e.g. right angles, scalene etc.

Health and Wellbeing

- Emotional wellbeing will continue to be our focus this term. We will discuss what positive friendships look like, feel like and sound like.

P.E

- This term for P.E., we shall be learning how to play volleyball. We work on our agility, co-ordination and teamwork skills whilst learning the rules of volleyball.
- In addition we will be engaging in football – our focus will be on good sportsmanship and following the rules of the sport correctly.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Sixes go to Hollywood

This term, the primary focus of our IDL topic is Literacy. Primary 6 will have a new addition in each clan, a furry friend. Children will work in small groups to create stories, scripts and short films all about the adventures their new furry friend goes on. Children will practise lots of skills during this IDL topic such as public speaking, script writing, narrative writing and media techniques as they create their own mini movies. Children will also explore the power of music and lighting when creating their movies.

Questions from the Children:

- What is our new furry friend called?
- What are some good ways to add special effects to my movie?
- How can I add music or sound effects to make my movie more exciting?
- What are some fun ways to add special effects to my movie?
- How can I add music or sound effects to make my movie more exciting?

Discrete Learning

Digital Technology – Use of Teams in and outside of school helps with digital literacy skills. The children will explore how to create documents, upload and download correctly and organise their online jotter appropriately.

In addition, the children will explore new software as they use different technology to add special effects, music and lighting to their mini movies.

Other Information

P.E. Days:

Baird Clan

- Monday – indoors
- Friday – outdoors

Burns Clan

- Tuesday – outdoors
- Thursday – indoors