

# Calderwood Communicates:

## Primary 5 Termly Learning Letter

### Term 2 2024/25



Welcome to Term 2 at Calderwood! We have had a busy first term being *Calderwood Clan Explorers*. 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 learning context *Fables, Myths and Legends* and looking at the differences between the three. We will explore different ways that stories can be told and look at creating our very own fable, myth or legend!

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 be developing talking and listening skills through our new learning context Fables, Myths and Legends where we will be discussing different stories. We will challenge, support and build on the contributions of others.
- We will continue to play listening and talking games throughout the day focusing on specific skills such as looking at the person talking, sitting still, staying quiet and listening to all the words.

##### Writing

- Our genre for this term is narrative. We will look at the key features of narrative script writing, investigating specific language features, such as colons, parenthesis, and then work together to develop a model piece of writing that we can then use to support us when working independently.
- Spelling – we will use active spelling activities to consolidate and support learning new vocabulary.

##### Reading

- Our focus for this term in Reading is predicting and questioning (inference) and developing understanding, analysing and evaluating skills when reading different texts.
- We will explore the features of narrative scripts in detail such as the plot of a story, the setting, characterisation and theme, and will read a part out loud.
- We will also be looking at exploring the difference between fact, bias and opinion and using evidence to back this up.

##### One Plus Two

- French: This term we are continuing to consolidate French greetings during Stag Start and our morning routine. We will also be learning how to speak about ourselves and ask questions about others, along with exploring colours and weather within our French lessons.
- Spanish: This term we will be introducing Spanish and embedding greetings and learning classroom vocabulary within our lessons.

#### Numeracy and Maths

##### Numeracy

- We are investigating a range of strategies to help us add, subtract, multiply and divide with numbers up to 1,000,000.
- We are continuing our daily “Number Talks”, which are short discussions among the teacher and learners about how to solve a particular number problem.
- We are exploring word problems to help us consolidate our number knowledge and investigate mathematical language.

## **Maths**

- We are going to be focusing on money and finance.
- We will be learning to identify and investigate different currencies.
- Adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing with money.
- We are also going to learn to budget for an event.

## **Health and Wellbeing**

- We are going to be learning about growth mindset in more detail. Learners will continue to explore how their brain is a muscle, recognise and regulate their emotions and look at the magic of making mistakes.
- We will also be exploring friendships; what makes a good friend, how friends should act and how to set boundaries with friends.

## **P.E.**

- This term we are going to learn how to do play racket games, football and handball. We are working on developing different skills involved such as balance, serving, striking and managing our emotions when winning and losing games.

## **Interdisciplinary Learning**

### **Fables, Myths and Legends (Literacy, Social Studies, RME and Technology)**

#### **Pupil voice:**

“I want to know what myths, legends and fables are?”

“I want to know if we will do Greek mythology?”

“I want to know what this relates to?”

“Can we learn ghost legends and myths?”

“Will we be learning story myths?”

- We will be learning to recognise and compare different narrative stories.
- We will be using technology to research the origins of stories from around the world.
- We will be investigating the different art styles used in comic books.
- We will investigate how modern comics are produced, the materials used and their sustainability.
- In Writing lessons, children will write their own version of a fable, myth or legend.
- In groups, learners will manufacture their own comic book and share this learning with others.

## **Discrete Learning**

- We will be developing our skills in Expressive Arts while preparing for our Connects this term.
- Developing use of technology; how to use a search engine, signing into our own Teams accounts.

## **Other information**

### **Ben Lomond Clan**

P.E. Days:

- Monday – Outdoors
- Thursday – Arena

Mr Gannon will be in clan on Wednesdays from the start of the day until 11:30am.

### **Ben Lawers Clan**

P.E. Days:

- Monday – Outdoors
- Wednesday – Arena

Mr Gannon will be in clan all day on a Tuesday.

**Schiehallion Clan**

P.E. Days:

- Wednesday – Arena
- Thursday – Outdoors

Mr Gannon will be in class on Wednesdays from 12:00pm until home time.

**Tummel Clan**

P.E. Days:

- Tuesday – in the Arena with Miss Brown
- Wednesday – Outdoors

Miss Brown will be in class on Tuesdays from the start of the day until 11:30am.