

Calderwood Communicates

Primary 6 Termly Learning Letter

Term 3 2024/25



Happy New Year from Baird and Burns Clans! We are so looking forward to 2025 and the fun learning experiences it will bring. This term, we will be looking at all things Scotland in our IDL topic, taking a deep dive into the history and culture associated with different cities across the country.

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

- Pupils will learn a Scots poem and will be given the opportunity to present this to the Clan. Both Clans will choose one winner to go forward into the Calderwood Scottish Poetry Recital.

Writing

- This term's genre focus will be on procedure writing. We will explore different examples of procedural texts and create our own. We will also be focusing heavily on proof reading, editing and up-levelling our work.
- Pupils will learn different spelling rules each week and will use active spelling activities to consolidate their learning.
- In Grammar, we will be focusing on using different sentence openers to create interest and tension in our writing. We will learn how to use personification to describe items with human or natural characteristics.

Reading

- Learners will continue to apply their understanding of the four reciprocal reading skills – predicting, clarifying, questioning and summarising – to a range of texts.
- Learners will identify and explain the meaning of Scots words from a range of Scottish poems, books and songs.
- Pupils are encouraged to read fiction/non-fiction texts across the day for enjoyment.

One Plus Two

- In French and Spanish, we will be revising colours and using them to describe different items. We will also be learning to say which colours we like and dislike.

Numeracy & Maths

Numeracy

- We will be focusing on multiplication and division this term. Learners will revise their knowledge of times table facts and will use this to multiply and divide whole numbers up to 1,000,000. In addition to this, we will be exploring square numbers as well as multiples and factors of a number.

Maths

- Our focus in maths this term will be time. We will revise reading analogue and digital clocks using 12 and 24-hour notation. Learners will read timetables and plan journeys using real life contexts. They will calculate lengths of time using 5 minute time intervals and will estimate the time a journey takes.

Health and Wellbeing

- Learners will be consolidating their knowledge of gymnastic shapes and learning how to put them together into a sequence, thinking about how one movement can flow into another. We will also be starting to learn about orienteering. Within this we will learn how to draw and read a map. We will think about how to navigate around the school grounds using a map and compass to find different points.

- We will be looking at substance misuse and understand how different substances can affect the body.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Scottish Cities

This term, we will be looking at different cities around Scotland and what makes them unique. Learners will have the opportunity to use primary and secondary sources to research events from the past that have occurred in these cities. Learners will also look at famous people who have come from the different cities and will learn about their contribution to society across the world.

Questions from the children about various cities:

- What is the history of the city?
- Where in Scotland is this city located?
- What are some unique things about the city?
- When did they become a city?
- How does a place become a city?

Discrete Learning

Euroquiz

Primary Six will be competing in the Euroquiz this year. Children will learn about European Languages, History, Geography, Culture and European Affairs in the hopes of winning the West Lothian heat and taking part in the National final in June.

Other information

P.E. Days

Baird Clan

- Monday – indoors
- Thursday – outdoors

Burns Clan

- Tuesday – outdoors
- Thursday - indoors