

Calderwood Communicates:

P3 Termly Learning Letter

Term 3 2025/26



Welcome back and Happy New Year! We hope you all had a wonderful and relaxing holiday. Please find detailed below a summary of what your children will be learning and experiencing in their clan this term.

This is an overview of all learning experiences offered. These experiences may be differentiated to support and challenge each child at their current stage and journey in learning.

English & Literacy

Listening and Talking

- Presentation skills: Exploring presenting to a larger audience through our clan assembly. We will be focusing on the skills: using the correct voice and speaking clearly at different times, using eye contact and continuing to use props when presenting. (Doune, Drummond, Glamis) Blair Clan shall be exploring through sharing poems to class.
- Core listening skills: listening carefully, showing respect by listening and responding to others, asking and responding to questions and showing active listening when others are talking.

Writing

- Poetry, learning all about different genres poetry writing.
- Introduce the genre of procedure by looking at recipes, instructions and directions etc.
- Focus on sentence structure and core writing targets.

Reading

- Identifying and exploring fiction and non-fiction texts with reference to our Scotland topic.
- Identifying the difference between fact and opinion.
- Understanding how to take notes.
- Building confidence with answering comprehension questions about a text.
- Reciprocal reading strategies: summarising, questioning, clarifying and predicting skills.
- Building fluency and expression when reading

One Plus Two

- In French we will be exploring personal information, including how to talk about our families. We will also learn how to say some common foods and describe the weather. We will revise P2 learning of the calendar months to be able to have conversations about our birthdays!

Numeracy & Maths

Numeracy

- Multiplication and Division (2,4 and 8)
- Further develop knowledge of fractions
- Continue to develop numeracy strategies through Number Talks
- Exploring Time – using digital and analogue clocks to tell the time in 15 minute increments.
- Measuring weight, length, capacity and area.

Health and Wellbeing

P.E

- Gymnastics with a focus on balancing and working on a short sequence of balances
- Tennis, developing the skills to hit the ball to a target and recognise when scoring occurs.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Scotland

Blair class will be diving into Scotland's volcanoes !

We'll explore fiery beginnings, ancient eruptions, and the awesome volcanic rocks that shaped Scotland. Get ready for a blast of learning!

Glamis Class will be learning about the landscapes and nature of Scotland.

Inspired by creating our own questions, we will be learning about Scotland's mountains, rivers and hills before moving on to exploring the tree and wildlife native to the land around us.

Doune Class Explores the World of Robert Burns

This term, Doune Class will be diving into the life and legacy of Scotland's national poet, Robert Burns. We'll be discovering his fascinating life story, exploring his poetry and songs, and learning how Scots celebrate Burns Night. As part of our celebrations, we'll also be practicing traditional Scottish dancing - something we're very excited to share with you at our class assembly at the end of January.

Drummond Class will be learning about Scotland's sleeping volcanoes.

This term the children will learn all about Scotland's sleeping volcanoes and how they helped shape the landscapes we know today. We've also been comparing these ancient Scottish volcanoes with volcanoes in other countries, understanding similarities, differences, and what makes each place unique.

Discrete Learning

Technology:

- ICT Skills: using unique username and passwords when accessing devices, exploring the functions of Seesaw to profile learning and accessing websites and online resources independently.

RME:

- This term we will begin with a celebration of all beliefs and faith as part of World Religion Day, recognising the importance of respecting everyone's unique beliefs.
- We will also learn similarities and differences between cultural and religious festivals, including Chinese New Year, Ramadan and Eid al-Fitr and Easter.

Science:

- We will continue to learn about electricity and have time to explore simple components in a series circuit to make a game or model.
- We will also learn about changing states of water (freezing, melting and boiling)
- As we enter Spring, we will learn all about plants and plant our own seeds!

Other information

PE Days

Blair – Monday (indoor) Thursday (outdoor)

Glamis - Monday (indoor) Thursday (outdoor)

Doune – Wednesday (outdoor) Thursday (indoor)

Drummond – Wednesday (indoor) Thursday (outdoor)