Calderwood Communicates:
P2 Termly Learning Letter
Term 2 2026/27

Welcome to the most wonderful term of the year! We hope you all had a lovely October break and are feeling ready for a busy term 2. As always, this term will be packed full of great learning opportunities, keep reading to find out more.

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

We will be learning about:

- Listening skills
- Asking and answering questions confidently
- Using interesting and engaging vocabulary relevant to our topics

Writing

We will be consolidating the following core targets in our writing:

- Capital letters and full stops
- Use of finger spaces
- Use of connectives (and, because, but, so etc.)
- Using tricky words
- Introducing new core targets: Using neat handwriting and other features to present my work in an attractive way, starting sentences in different ways, finding words in a dictionary or word bank and checking that our own writing makes sense.

Our genre focus will be information report writing. We will be learning how to:

- Use note taking skills such as making a mind map.
- Write facts about different topics
- Introduce the idea of splitting writing into sections: title and subheadings, introduction, main writing and an ending.

In handwriting, we will be focusing on forming lowercase and uppercase letters confidently and using this in our writing. Confusion and reversal of b, d, p etc is not uncommon at this stage but should be corrected in order to progress in handwriting.

Reading

- Continue to develop reciprocal reading skills: predicting, summarising, clarifying and questioning.
- Looking at the features of fiction and non-fiction texts.
- Adding expression when we read.

One Plus Two (French)

- Personal information e.g. Where do you live?
- Numbers to 20
- Christmas language

Numeracy & Maths

Numeracy

- Estimating and rounding to the nearest 10.
- Forward and backwards number sequences to 100.

- Develop addition and subtraction strategies e.g. number lines, partitioning, number stories.
- Recognise decade numbers and how to add/subtract 10 using a 100 square.

Maths

- Time – o'clock & half past on analogue and digital clocks.
- Measure - metres & half metres, kilograms & ½ kgs, litres & ½ litres.

Health and Wellbeing

HWB:

- Continue with the Zones of Regulation
- Children's rights: Whole school November focus – Article 2: No discrimination. December focus – Article 23: Children with disabilities.
- Remembrance – why it is important to remember those we have lost
- Anti-bullying week – what is bullying? What can we do to stop it happening?
- Road safety – how to stay safe when crossing roads
- Staying active and healthy in winter – how loss of light can affect how we feel



P.E

- Basic moves – this will include developing our balancing, turning and blocking skills.
- Handball – learning about which rules to follow and how to play the game successfully. We will also cover different ways to catch/throw and how to work together as a team.

Interdisciplinary Learning (IDL)

Weather & The Seasons

- The season of Autumn and changes around us.
- Learning about different weather found in different parts of the world.
- The season of Winter & Christmas celebrations.

STEM

STEM lessons will be linked to the current IDL topic and will include developing a range of skills in science, technology, engineering and maths.

- Data handling

Discrete Learning

- Technology: Using Seesaw to profile learning

RME:

- Celebrating Diwali – Festival of Lights
- Celebration of Christmas and exploring the Christmas story.
- Christmas tradition – church services, gift giving, special meals and decorations.

Science:

- Exploring sound (vibrations and waves)
- Materials - Exploring the properties of different substances and how they can be changed

Expressive Arts: linked to IDL and Christmas

Other information

PE Days

- Drummond – Tuesday indoors, Wednesday outdoors
- Doune – Tuesday indoors, Wednesday outdoors
- Thistle – Wednesday indoor, Thursday outdoor
- Bramble – Thursday indoor, Monday outdoor