Dear Parent/Carer, May 2015

Welcome to Term 4 in Primary 7/6. I hope you have all had a peaceful and relaxing Easter break, and are feeling ready for our final term of this session. Last term, the children's learning experiences included investigations in to how to maintain a healthy lifestyle. We explored aspects of healthy and unhealthy foods, food labelling and the role of the media in healthy and unhealthy body image. The children also enjoyed preparing fruit salad and making butternut squash soup. Linked to our topic, we had visits from Childline, our Community Police Officer, Jammin' Andy and P7 were visited by West Lothian Drug and Alcohol Services. A highlight for the children was our P7 and P6 trip to the Titanic Museum in Belfast where the children were able to use their previous learning from term 1 in new contexts. Miss Sherlow, P7/6 Teacher.

English & Literacy

This term, we will continue developing our knowledge of Vocabulary, Connectives, Openers and Punctuation (VCOP), handwriting and spelling. The children are continuing to use up-levelling techniques to improve the standard of their writing. This process also involves self and peer assessment.

Through the IDL context of Young Enterprise, our writing will focus on a variety of genres including radio scripts, advertisements, persuasive leaflets and posters. We have also completed CVs and market research questionnaires.

Our reading in term 4 will focus on Higher Order Thinking Skills and Reading Routes. Homework activities will be linked to reading skills and will be due every Friday.

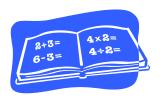


Maths & Numeracy

This term, our grouped maths work will focus on money and finance, the properties of 2D and 3D shapes and expressions and equations within a range of problem solving contexts.

In connection with the IDL topic of Young Enterprise, pupils will be looking in more depth at finance and budgeting, profit and loss as well as information handling.

In whole class maths, angles, directions, routes, journeys and symmetry will be covered in term 4.



Interdisciplinary Learning: Young Enterprise

This term our context for learning is Young Enterprise. We will be exploring this through the curriculum areas of technologies, literacy and maths. The key questions we will look at are:

- What is an entrepreneur?
- How do you qualify for a job?
- What is market research and how can we carry it out in the school?
- What type of product do we market and why?
- What are profit and loss and why are they important?

Additional Information

Futsal will be on Thursday mornings and P.E. with Mrs Mitchell will be on Tuesdays. Please ensure your child brings the correct clothing to change into on P.E. days. Primary 7 will also be taking part in transition activities this term.

School Show Pirates of the Curry Bean

Thank you for supporting your child in learning their lines for our school show.

If you can provide any props or costumes (pirate/sea themed) we would greatly appreciate it.

Our two evening performances of the show will be on Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th May.

Homework

Spelling, reading and maths homework will be given every Monday and should be completed and handed in on Friday.

Other subjects will be covered as and when appropriate.