

Primary 4/3 Learning Letter: Term 4

April 2015

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to Term 4 in Primary 4/3. We are looking forward to a busy and final term. The highlights of last term included our Healthy Families, Healthy Children Apprentice challenge, our trip to Dalguise, our bench ball and multisport events and our visit from a local farmer.

Miss Kerr and Mrs Redmond
P4/3 Teachers



English & Literacy

This term we will continue to develop our knowledge of VCOP (vocabulary, connectives, openers and punctuation) handwriting and spelling, and apply this to improve the standard of our writing.

Within writing, we will focus on a variety of genres including a simple letter, writing and understanding directions and describing a scene within a story. We will aim to include a range of descriptive and ambitious vocabulary to up level interesting and impressive pieces of writing. Through our IDL focus of 'Transport', we will also be creating a brochure about a vehicle of personal choice and writing personal accounts of our trip to the Transport Museum.

Within grammar and punctuation, we will begin develop our understanding of the use and purpose of paragraphs.

Our reading focus will be on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings and we will be aiming to develop prediction and inference skills. We will collect in all homework on Friday so please remember to complete your homework for then.

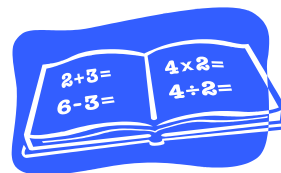


Maths & Numeracy

This term within Maths, we will focus on division and multiplication within number, using calculators to reinforce the link between them as well as for checking answers. We will continue to work on quick recall of times tables daily.

We will also work on angles, directions, routes and journeys linked to our 'Transport' topic.

Within mental maths, we will work on sequencing, counting on and back and quick recall of addition and subtraction facts.



Interdisciplinary Learning: Transport

This term our main context for learning is Transport. We will be learning about this context through the curriculum areas of Expressive Arts, Science and Numeracy. The key questions we will explore are:

- What are the three main areas of transport?
- How and why has transport developed through the years?
- Where do we go and how do we get there?
- How has transport affected the environment?
- What do you think transport of the future will be like?

Additional Information

This term our specialist P.E. teacher is Mrs Mitchell.

We will have indoor P.E. on Tuesday, outdoor P.E on Thursday and Enjoy-a-ball on Wednesday.

Whole School Mini Context

The whole school will also have a mini IDL focus on Mid Calder to coincide with its centenary celebrations.

In preparation for sports day we will be taking part in Athletics activities.

Homework

Every Monday the children will be given a new reading book and their spelling list for the week. They will also be given one other task related to classwork. Homework should be handed in every Friday and signed.