

Primary 7 Learning Letter: Term 4



April 2017

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to Term 4 in Primary 7. In this last term the children are looking forward to planning and developing their knowledge and understanding of outdoors within their topic 'How Does Your Garden Grow'. Exciting and challenging lessons and activities will be completed by the pupils, using the context of our own playground and surrounding areas. If any parents or carers would like to donate their time or materials to help with our topic we would very much appreciate it. We are excited about P7 Leavers' activities. P7s have also started handing over responsible roles to the P6 pupils.

Dates for up and coming events:

P7 & P6 Topic trip date to be confirmed

9th May: P7 Parent's Evening

11th May: Parent's Sex Education Evening at 5pm.

26th June: P7 Leavers Assembly

18th May: Reading Curriculum Evening

Transition dates for WCHS and JYHS

29th June: P7 Leavers' Party

English & Literacy

This term, P7 will continue to develop their literacy skills in their guided reading session. Pupils will also be encouraged to use SumDog reading as a means of extending and consolidating their skills within an ICT based environment. Pupils have been provided with usernames and passwords. In writing pupils will focus this session on personal writing particularly in reflecting on their time in Primary School. Through our IDL context 'How Does Your Garden Grow?', writing lessons will focus on a variety of genres including leaflets and persuasive writing techniques. We will also continue to develop our knowledge of Vocabulary, Connectives, Openers and Punctuation (VCOP), handwriting and spelling. The children will continue to use up-levelling to improve the standard of their writing.



Maths & Numeracy

In Primary 7 we will continue to develop number and number processes work within numeracy. There will be a focus on strengthening number knowledge to support success in other numeracy organisers. We will be using many strategies to divide whilst also learning to recall all multiplication and division facts.

Maths groups will continue to develop their learning in maths through a variety of learning experiences.

You can support your child's maths development at home by regular number facts revision such as times tables and associated division facts and making links to real life context.



This term our context for learning is 'How does your garden grow?'. We will be exploring this through the curriculum areas of Science, Social Studies and Technologies. The key questions we will look at are:

1. How does our playground compare with other outdoor environments?
2. How does our outdoor space affect the way we live, work and relax?
3. What wildlife is attracted to our playground and why?
4. Why do some plants grow in some areas and not others?
5. What materials are most suitable for outdoor use?

Additional Information

Primary 7 have Enjoy-a-ball on a Monday, Futsal on a Tuesday and an outdoor P.E. session on a Wednesday. Please bring appropriate clothing. Can we please ensure that all children have the correct indoor footwear.

Other Information

P6 and 7 will be holding a Sex Education parents meeting to discuss how this topic will be developed within our health curriculum. This term children will also be learning about 'Keeping Myself Safe'. Every class will have a visit session from the SSPCA

Homework

Spelling homework will be given every Monday and should be handed in on Friday. Reading homework will also be set on a Monday and due the following Monday. Maths homework will be given out on a Wednesday to be handed in the following Wednesday.