



Mid Calder Primary School – P6 Class Newsletter

Welcome:

Dear Parent / Carer,

Welcome to Term 1 of Primary 6!

After hopefully a relaxing summer holiday I am looking forward to welcoming P6 back into the classroom. I am excited to start Term 1 as we have lots of lessons planned and many activities to look forward to. Thanks again for your continued support, it is much appreciated. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with me via the school office if you have any queries or concerns. I am looking forward to working with your children and meeting you soon.

Miss Hawes

Literacy Learning:

- Spelling – We will follow a spelling progression using differentiated tasks each week.
- Writing and Grammar – We will continue to use the 'PM Writing' programme within both our writing and grammar lessons. Our next text focus will be narrative.
- Reading – We will be using guided reading sessions to explore key reading skills with the aim to facilitate literacy circles. We will continue to develop our reading comprehension and higher order thinking skills.

Numeracy and Maths Online Learning:

- Numeracy – The focus this term will be number and place value.
- Maths – The focus for this term will be measurement.
- We will also continue to develop mental strategies using 'Number Talks' and explore problem solving through real life contexts.

Interdisciplinary Learning (IDL)

In the first few weeks of this term, we will be looking at the novel *There is a Boy in the Girl's Bathroom* by Louis Sachar. We will explore this novel through various literacy, numeracy, health and well-being, drama, and art activities.

We will then move on to explore *The Jacobites*. We will use our consultative planners to establish key questions to guide the learning throughout the term. This may include areas such as:

Jacobite Clans.

Key events during the time period.

The impact on past and present Scottish history.

PE

We will be spending lots of time learning outside everyday so please ensure your child always has appropriate footwear and a jacket.

Mrs Davidov will be leading P.E on a Tuesday and Wednesday. As a class we will participate in the Daily Mile on a Tuesday and Wednesday. This means that your children should be prepared for outdoor lessons on these days.

Digital Learning:

We are consistently using digital technology within the classroom and are regularly logging into 'Microsoft Teams' and other online programmes. If you wish to practice the skills your child has learnt in literacy and numeracy, then they can use their logins at home. I encourage the use of these outside of school as well as they are great for independent learning. If you have any issues with digital logins, please get in touch and I will do my best to sort them. The children can choose to bring in their own devices as part of the BYOD scheme and should ensure they follow the guidelines for using these devices safely and responsibly in school.

Homework:

Homework will be issued after September break and will be posted on our digital platforms. The tasks will range from core curricular areas to health and wellbeing and IDL tasks. I appreciate all the support and time you give when your child completes their homework.