



Mid Calder Primary School – P6 Class Newsletter

Welcome:

Dear Parent / Carer,

Welcome to Term 2 of Primary 6!

I hope you all managed to celebrate Christmas with your families and had a lovely new year. I am looking forward to welcoming P6 back into the classroom. I am excited to start Term 2 as we have lots of lessons planned and many activities to look forward to, as well as continuing to build our classroom ethos and develop relationships. 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.

Literacy Learning:

- Spelling – We will continue to follow our 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 procedures.
- Reading – We will use our knowledge of prediction, questioning, summarising and clarifying to create literacy circles within our reading groups.

Numeracy and Maths Online Learning:

- Numeracy – The focus this term will be multiplication and division then fractions and percentages.
- Maths – The focus for this term will be shape and then time.
- We will also continue to develop mental strategies using 'Number Talks' and explore problem solving through real life contexts.

Interdisciplinary Learning (IDL)

This term we are exploring Cool Chemistry! We will use our consultative planners to establish key questions to guide the learning throughout the term. This may include areas such as:

1. How do we ensure a fair and accurate test that has proved or disproved a hypothesis?
2. What changes occur to different materials when introduced to another substance?
3. What can affect the rate and how well substances dissolve?
4. How are soluble and insoluble materials separated in water?
5. Are there changes to substances which can be reversed?

PE and Outdoor Learning

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 I will lead PE on a Wednesday. As a class we will participate in the Daily Mile on a Tuesday and Thursday. This means that your children should be prepared for physical activity / 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 continue in term 2 and will continue to be posted on our digital platforms. The tasks will link to classroom lessons and will be a range of numeracy, maths, and literacy tasks. I appreciate all the support and time you give when your child completes their homework.