Mid Calder Primary School - P7 Class Newsletter



Dear Parent / Carer,

Welcome to Term 3 of Primary 7. I hope you all had a lovely Easter break! We have lots to look forward to in Term 3 including Transition events linked with our cluster High Schools, our Developing the Young Workforce IDL to develop skills for life, learning and work and of course preparing for our end of term assemblies, farewell videos and much much more! 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.

Miss Clark

Literacy

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 Responses.

Reading: We will be looking at non-fiction texts this term. We will also look at various reading skills that include making inferences and looking at literal and inferential questions.

Numeracy and Maths

Numeracy: The focus this term will be on fractions and percentages before moving on to expressions and equations.

Maths: The focus for this term will be 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 will be developing skills for life, learning and work through our Developing the Young Workforce context. We will use our consultative planners to establish key questions to guide the learning throughout the term. This may include areas such as:

- 1. Employability: Developing skills and knowledge to prepare for future employment
- 2. Communication: Developing the ability to interact, listen and effectively use different qualities to inform and be informed by others.
- 3. Problem Solving: Developing the ability to critically plan, review, organise and evaluate solutions for a project, event or challenge, whilst using individual thinking, literacy and numeracy skills.
- 4. Working with others: Demonstrate the ability to independently, or as a leader, plan and carry out projects in small groups, sharing tasks and responsibilities, and being ready and willing to learn from and with others, whilst working towards a common goal.
- 5. Self-awareness: Demonstrate the ability to reflect on the skills that have been learnt and record this appropriately in a profile, allowing identification of next steps in order to progress onto the next stage of education or work.

PE, Outdoor Learning and Digital Learning

We may spend time learning outside throughout the week so please ensure your child always has appropriate footwear and a jacket. Mrs Davidov will be leading P.E on a Wednesday this term. This means that your children should be prepared for physical activity/outdoor lessons on these days. Miss Sherlow will be leading digital lessons and supporting P7 end of term preparations on a Tuesday.

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 3 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.