

Mid Calder Primary School - P6 Class Newsletter

Welcome:

Dear Parent / Carer,

Welcome to Term 3 of Primary 6!

I hope you all managed to have a relaxing Easter holiday with your families and friends. I am looking forward to welcoming P6 back into the classroom. I am excited to start Term 3 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.

Miss Hawes

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 'responses'.
- Reading We will continue to build on our independent reading skills and focus on non-fiction texts. We will continue to encourage reading for enjoyment and pupils can log the texts read in their traveller's log to 'read around the world.'

Numeracy and Maths Online Learning:

- Numeracy The focus this term is 'fractions and percentages'.
- Maths The focus this term is 'time' which will continue from term 2 and we will begin 'ideas of chance and uncertainty.'
- 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 'Developing the Young Workforce' and skills for life. We will use our consultative planners to establish key questions and themes to guide the learning throughout the term. This may include areas such as:

- 1. Employability: Developing skills and understanding how to prepare for a rapidly changing economic environment.
- 2. Communication: Demonstrate the ability to interact and listen verbally and written.
- 3. Problem Solving: Learn how to review, organise, and evaluate during projects based within literacy and numeracy.
- 4. Working with others: Demonstrate the ability to work together to carry out projects. Plan to share tasks and responsibilities to work towards a common goal.
- 5. Self-awareness: Demonstrate the ability to reflect and identify next steps to progress.

Health and Wellbeing, P.E 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 Wednesday and Thursday. This means that your children should be prepared for physical activity / outdoor lessons on these days.

We will continue to use the RSHP (https://rshp.scot) resource to develop key themes and topics outlined in our MCPS second level HWB progression.

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.