

The main focus for learning this term will be:

'The Circus is coming to town!'

Literacy

- Reading - group focus on fiction. Children will develop skills for asking/answering questions and further explore character/setting. They will also explore examples of Scots' texts, focussing on rhyme/rhythm and interesting vocabulary. Grammar will focus on proper nouns, joining words, plurals and early dictionary skills. Children will visit the library regularly to promote reading for enjoyment and begin to record this in their Reading Passports.
- Phonics - exploring/consolidating letter patterns. Common words.
- Writing - will link to Scots' focus and then class topic. Children will plan/create an imaginative piece linked to 'Maisie' stories. Using illustrations/speech bubbles. Using conjunctions to link sentences. Children will also plan/create a persuasive piece of writing to encourage people to visit the Circus. Including opinion in writing; using persuasive language.
- Handwriting - developing letter formation; early joins.
- Listening and Talking - performing Scots' poetry; applying tools for listening and talking in group situations.
- French - parts of the body. 'Camembear's birthday'. Saying how old I am.

Numeracy/Maths

- Strategies for addition/subtraction - bridging 10, using doubles/near doubles, counting on/back
- Applying strategies for solving 'missing number' sums (e.g. $4 + ? = 10$)
- Addition/subtraction to 20 - systemising number facts, making addition/subtraction 'families'
- Fractions - finding $\frac{1}{2}$ of a shape/group of objects. Beginning to link doubles/halves. Finding $\frac{1}{4}$ of a shape.
- Data handling - using pictograms. Early bar/line graphs. Sorting data using Carroll diagrams.
- Money - coin recognition to £2. Finding totals within £1. Giving change from 20p.

Health and Wellbeing

- Food preparation. Hygiene rules. Likes/dislikes.
- How to look after a baby. Who looks after us?
- 'Keeping myself safe' (Mrs Struthers).
- PE - gymnastics (Ms Pender). Ms McLuckie will develop early racquet skills (object control; sending objects over a net).

Interdisciplinary Learning

- 'The Circus is coming to town!' - Enterprise focus.
- Social Studies skills covered - decision-making. Budgeting. Taking on an enterprise role.
- Numeracy skills covered - money (budgeting).
- Drama skills covered - planning/taking on roles. Responding to improvised/scripted drama.

Discrete subjects

- Music - Scots' songs. Creating a circus soundtrack.
- Science - 'Water' (Dissolving). Growing plants. Inheritance.
- RME - 'Easter'.
- Art & Design - Illustration (linked to 'Maisie' stories).
- Technologies - digital literacy. Internet safety (linked to 'Internet Safety Day').

Opportunities for personal achievement and involvement in the ethos and life of the school

- 'Pumphie Pals' - house group meetings.
- Rights Respecting/'Green Gang' reps.
- House/class 'Dojo' points. Almond/Breich/Calder top scorer.
- P2 class assembly - Friday 23rd February 9.30am.

Other information

- PE days this term are a Wednesday and Thursday.
- Library day is every second Monday.