

The main focus for learning this term will be:

Scottish focus: The Scottish artist Charles Rennie MacIntosh.

School camp: learning outside the classroom

STEM focus: forces

Literacy

Writing

Our focus for writing this term will be poetry. We will be analysing a variety of poems, including Scots poetry, and writing our own. Children will learn how to identify and use features of poetry including: rhythm, rhyme, alliteration, onomatopoeia and similes. The children will be learning how to write a report as part of their Scottish topic. For their STEM topic the children will be learning how to write a procedure.

Reading

Children will continue to read and discuss novels in class, with reading homework being set each week to consolidate what has been covered in class. In addition, we will be reading and analysing poetry and will continue to build on our skills for reading for information, including skimming and scanning a text.

Listening and Talking

This term the children will be learning to recite a poem for the Scots assembly.

Numeracy

This term, children will be further developing their mental maths skills by looking at a range of multiplication strategies.

Children will be using division skills to further developing their number processing skills. They will also be investigating fractions, decimals and percentages including ratios and proportion. They will be investigating angles and transformation through mapping (use of coordinates, compass points and scale).

Health and Wellbeing

In health and well being we will be looking at nutrition. They will be looking at foods which belong in each section of the Eatwell Guide. They will make a poster showing good table manners. Also most of the children will be going to school camp so there will be a focus on developing interpersonal skills and resilience. For the children who are not going to camp they will be doing some outside learning.

PE

This term they will be doing Scottish Country dancing, hockey and circuits to help them develop their fitness skills.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Our first focus for interdisciplinary learning this term will be Scottish artists. We will be researching the artist, Charles Rennie MacIntosh, and looking at his style of art work. In this topic the children will be developing their skills in literacy, technology, social studies and expressive arts.

STEM focus:

The children will be looking at forces. They will be investigating friction, air resistance, floating and

magnets.

Discrete subjects

RME

Children will be learning about the Christian celebration, Easter.

Music

The children will be listening to a range of music and respond by discussing their thoughts and feelings. The children will also be learning to play the ocarina.

Drama

The children will be further developing their skills in improvisation.

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

Children will continue to have a number of everyday opportunities for personal achievement (through sharing successes from inside and outside school) and for getting involved in the life of the school (through responsibilities within school, Pumphy Pals, Junior Leadership teams etc.).

Other information

PE

Our PE times this term will be: **Tuesday afternoon** with Mrs Ness and **Friday morning** with Mrs Campbell. Please ensure that your child has their PE kit with them on these days so that they can take part. It is also recommended that jewellery, such as earrings, is not worn on these days.

Homework

Reading homework will be set on a Wednesday and is due the following Wednesday.