

Primary 4 Newsletter

January – March 2020

Happy New Year! We are going to be busy this term. Here is what we are doing.

Numeracy and Maths

This term we will be focussing on number work. We will be working very hard on multiplication and division. We will be doing a lot of work on strategies that can be used and linking it to our prior learning. We will be transferring our knowledge of number to work out problems and where we would use the 4 operations in our everyday life.

In Maths we will look at measurement through lots of practical experiences, linking it to our real life and also how to convert different measure and record it accurately.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Our topic this term is Forces. The children will learn all about what forces are around us, and will be able to create experiments and learn how to write them up using scientific language and diagrams.

The children will learn how to make predictions and analyse data from their experiments. Through this, they will learn about Scientists and how important they are in our ability to learn about the world around us.

Literacy

In Reading, we will be looking at making the meaning of texts clear, finding out what texts are about and what the main points of the text are. We will also look at features of texts, for example; discussing characters, drawing inference and making predictions.

Our reading focus will be on a **Monday and Thursday**. Please keep reading books and reading records in school bags.

In Writing, we will link our knowledge of non-fiction texts from our reading to write our own non-fiction texts. These will include explanation and re-count to link to our science focus. We will also be writing fiction stories, including speech, commas and development of characters.

Our spelling will be given out fortnightly and we will practise our spelling in school each day. Please help by also reinforcing this at home.

Expressive Arts

This term we will be putting on our P2-4 show for you. There will be lots of singing so we will have lots of songs to send home to practise.

The children will have many opportunities to create art, learn dances and get involved in making costumes and props.

Health & Wellbeing

Our Health and Wellbeing focus will be on successes and dreams through circle time which is called Jigsaw. This includes exploring our ambitions, goals, motivations and how to overcome challenges. During this time the children will be encouraged to share through Jino, our jigsaw piece and learn how to calm the mind during calm me time.

P.E will be Tuesday and Thursday. Mrs Howard will take the P4s on Tuesday for Gymnastics, and class teachers will take P4 for Netball on Thursday. Please ensure that your child is wearing the school colours P.E kit and have suitable clothes for both indoor and outdoor P.E.

If you have any comments, concerns or questions please feel free to contact us through our school blog, school office, email or your child's reading record and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Thanks,
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