

Primary 6 Newsletter

August - October 2020

We hope you had an enjoyable summer holiday and the children are now ready to work hard in P6. We hope that this newsletter will give you a flavour of the learning taking place this term!



Numeracy & Maths

This term our focus for Numeracy will be number sequences, grouping and place value. Through mental maths/ mental arithmetic we will revise addition, subtraction, division and multiplication and link these where possible with real life practical examples. We will look at place value, including after the decimal point and numbers below zero. Children will develop their understanding using both active and written methods.

For Mathematics we will be focusing on time and reading timetables and calculating intervals. We will also work through problems involving 12 and 24 hours.

Literacy & English

This term, spelling will be given out every second Friday starting on 21st August. The children will be tested every two weeks, and will work on their spellings throughout the Literacy lessons.

For Literacy we will be using a Harry Potter novel as a basis to explore a variety of literary strategies and techniques.

In writing, we will use our class novel as a stimulus to produce a variety of texts ranging from newspaper articles, story writing in a specific genre, character developments and recounts.

We will continue to use cursive handwriting during handwriting lessons and in our everyday writing.

Grammar and punctuation lessons will also be used to develop writing skills and we will be focusing on sentence construction and punctuation this term.

Interdisciplinary Learning

This term our topic will be Harry Potter. Children will read Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone together as a class and complete various literacy, maths, science and expressive arts tasks and will steer the learning using a child centred approach where the topic is taught using the children's ideas and interests.

For Science through topic we will be looking at conducting practical Science experiments including creating solutions, dissolving and saturation and how to hypothesize at the start of an experiment. We will also develop use of Scientific language and how to set out experiments and how to draw conclusions from the results.

Health & Wellbeing

Classes will have PE on a Wednesday and Thursday. We will be focusing on ball control skill, fitness and stamina through cross country running.

P.E will be taking place outdoors (rain or shine!) so please ensure your child is wearing an appropriate P.E kit on these days.

In class, we will be using our school JIGSAW resource to focus on the year ahead, setting goals and discussing our aspirations. We will also be focussing on our responsibilities as citizens and what this means.

Additional Information

Mrs Smillie will be teaching Maths and Comprehension with P6b on a Monday and P6h on a Tuesday.

Please access the school blog/class Team and school website for home learning and class updates.

If you have any comments, concerns or questions please feel free to contact us through our school blog, school office, email or a written note and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Thanks, Ms Brody and Miss Hesp

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