primary 6 Newsletter

October-December 2020

We hope you had an enjoyable October holiday and the children are now ready to work hard in our next term. 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 fractions, decimals and percentages whilst also continuing our learning in place value. We will begin by focussing on decimals before linking this to fractions and percentages. Children will develop their understanding using both active and written methods. We will also be learning about Measurement through using rulers, metre sticks and trundle wheels. This will also include weight and volume. The children will be able to use different types of scales and weights to learn through practical application of skills. They will also be learning about conversions of different weights and measures including word problems to reflect real life situations.	Literacy & English This term, the children will continue to get new words every two weeks on a Friday. They will be encouraged to use their spellings throughout their written work. Through our topic of World War 2, the children will use their own and schools devices and books to research information including skim and scan techniques for note-taking. They will also have opportunities to write their own reports to reflect their research. We will be looking at poetry from the war and the children will be able to write their own poems. We will study diaries from that era to give the children an opportunity to write from another person's perspective. Grammar and punctuation lessons will also be taught to develop writing skills. The children will be encouraged to apply these skills in their writing and other pursiver preserve.
	in their writing and other curricular areas where possible. Reading will happen daily with questioning of texts twice a week. Furthermore, in writing this term we will be writing for a variety of purposes e.g. poetry, reporting and recalling events where we will continue to use cursive handwriting.
Interdisciplinary Learning We are now starting our new topic on World War 2. During this topic, we are going to learn about the history of the Second World War, acknowledging Scotland's place within it whilst also looking into historical events such as the holocaust. The children will also look at the role of propaganda through art, Jewish and Christian religion and how children coped with the blitz and blackouts.	<u>Health & Wellbeing</u> This term, the children will continue to have PE on Wednesday and Thursday and this will be taking place outdoors, so please ensure that the children come equipped for cold and wet weather
	on these days. Our health lessons will continue to use JIGSAW as a resource. This term we are looking at celebrating differences in cultures and values. We will continue to use school values so that we all remember to
	be ready, respectful, responsible and safe!

Additional Information

Mrs Smillie will be teaching Comprehension and Maths in P6b on a Monday morning and in P6h on a Tuesday morning. 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 your child's reading record and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

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