

Here we are at our second newsletter of the year already! We have lots to get through so it is going to be busy.



Numeracy & Maths

This term we will continue to revise the four main calculations in numeracy, with a big drive to be completely fluent in all of our multiplication tables. We will be looking at financial education with a focus on on-line shopping safety, the responsible use of credit in both cards and loans and the effects of debt. We will also calculate profit and loss during our Enterprise project. In Maths we will be studying angles; recognising. measuring and drawing various types.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Our Topic this term is Scottish Parliament and a little International Politics. We will learn about our own devolved government and its roles and responsibilities. We will also look at a little of the history of Scotland and how it shapes our values and beliefs.

We will keep an eye on events in the USA and upcoming elections too!

In Religious Education we will look at how religion influences Scottish society and the diversity of beliefs and how these beliefs influence morality and our actions.

Our Science will look at micro-organisms and the work of our senses.

Another busy term with lots to learn!

Literacy & English



Literacy this term will focus on narrative and descriptive writing, beginning with some seasonal topics for Halloween and Bonfire Night. We will be looking at correct use of paragraphs while extending the length and structure of our sentences to make our writing more effective. We will also be trying to uplevel some of our descriptive vocabulary to make our writing more exciting and "paint those pictures" as we write.

In reading, we will use a Literacy Circle approach to our group novels where children will have the opportunity to study the texts at word, sentence and whole story level. Pupils will take responsibility for completing a weekly task in preparation for group discussions on the text. This again will develop critical readers and thinkers with great awareness, strong views and opinions! Spelling, handwriting and excellent vocabulary will of course remain a focus.

Listening and Talking skills will be developed this term through class debating to run alongside our Parliament Topic.

Health & Wellbeing

Health this term will focus on "Celebrating Differences". This will look at how everyone can be different but make valuable contributions in life. We will also study how some people can have influence over others in both positive and negative ways. We will look at how this power is given and how to deal with it, if it is having a negative impact on others.

Additional Information

PE days will be a Monday and Friday and children should come in kit ready for any weather that it is possible to be outside in. Our Modern Language this term will be Spanish with French being re-visited at a later date. Homework will continue on our TEAMS platform every two weeks .Please be aware that our water fountains cannot be used at this time so we would ask that children bring enough water to hydrate them through the day. Thank You.

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, Mrs Patterson, Mrs Cross and Mrs Welsh

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