



Primary 6 Newsletter



Hello and welcome to our Primary 6 newsletter. I am delighted to be the Primary 6 teacher for the rest of the year and what a busy time it will be! We had lots of festive fun on the run up to Christmas but are now ready to get our heads down and busy for lots of learning, fun and challenges in the term ahead.

Numeracy

Within Numeracy we are continuing to develop our skills with whole number. We are finalising our work on multiples, factors and using brackets to split calculations with multiple operations into more manageable chunks. Our next focus will be on fractions, decimals and percentages. We will begin by exploring mixed and improper fractions and learning how to convert between the two. We will be learning to calculate percentages and fractions of various quantities and investigate the link between fractions, decimals and percentages. This will involve learners applying lots of skills to problem solving contexts.

Literacy

In Literacy, we have begun using a stations approach to learning. Throughout the week, learners will participate in 6 stations, each associated with a different aspect of Literacy. Skills focused on at these stations include: reading skills, comprehension, spelling and digital literacy. Our stations approach allows children to improve their focus and engagement as well allowing for collaborative learning. Small group working also allows for appropriate challenge and support to be given.

This term in reading we will be focusing on a range of reading skills for before, during and after reading. Skills will include: predicting, connecting, self-questioning, visualising and summarising and paraphrasing. This term the children are using novels as their class reading book and these should come to school each day.

Within writing we are continuing to work with the PM Writing programme. This allows learners to learn about different genres of writing in depth. We will look at the grammar associated with each genre of writing, specific vocabulary required and the purpose of different genres. Our specific focus for the following term will be: descriptions, information reports and narratives. A large focus for all learners will be how to effectively create a plan for a piece of writing and use this to support the writing process.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Our next class topic will centre around people, past events and societies as we explore the Scottish Wars of Independence. They will be extending their research skills and learning about which sources of information are reliable. We will be looking at the way that these events shaped Scotland today and comparing our lives to those who lived in the past. We will be looking at some of the key figures from this time such as Robert the Bruce and William Wallace. As the topic progresses, the children will think about which aspects they would like to know more about which will guide the journey our learning will take!

Health and Wellbeing

Primary 6's P.E. days are a Tuesday and Friday. Where possible, our Friday P.E. session will be outdoors so please ensure children have appropriate clothing. Our focus this term is on possession games which will allow us to apply our ball skills. Following on from this, learners will be demonstrating their agility, movement and speed with a focus on athletics. This will be a great concept for outdoors as our weather (hopefully) gets brighter!



Holiday - 17th & 18th February

Inservice Day - 19th February

Parent/Carer Consultations - 27th February

World Book Day - 6th March

STEM Day - 7th March

Easter Church Service - 4th April

Easter School Holiday - 7th-21st April

I would like to thank you for your continued support so far this term. Please don't hesitate to get in touch with any questions or queries you may have.

Mrs Glen 😊