



## Welcome to P4L

We have started our term well with an exciting trip to the museum. Swimming also begins this term so the children have lots to look forward to!

### Literacy

The children are working hard to improve fluency and expressions when reading aloud. They are also developing their understanding of the story through questioning, exploring word choice, predicting and summarising. In listening and talking we have enjoyed listening and reciting Scots poems and stories. The children are developing structure and detail in writing. They will be using the Talk for Writing approach to complete a piece of non-fiction writing. The children will focus on sentence structure to develop more complex sentences and the use of tense in Grammar.

### Numeracy/Maths

The children are continuing to work on a different daily focus in Numeracy. They will work on speed and accuracy of mental addition and subtraction using strategies, e.g. bonds to 10, place value with larger numbers. Some will extend learning to use the formal written method. The children will be focusing on instant recall of times tables, application to division and in problem solving tasks. Some children will extend division to work with remainders. Within fractions we will focus on fractions of shapes/numbers, equivalent fractions and fractions on a line.

### Learning in other areas of the curriculum.

Following on from our trip to the National Museum of Scotland, the children will be exploring Roman life. They will focus on significant events and individuals and make comparisons between aspects of past and present times. This term's art will be based on the Romans and the children will work with different textiles. We will focus on Christianity in RME this term. The children will explore how beliefs and values are put into action in the lives of Christians. They will also look at their own beliefs and values in comparison. Within Technologies the children will be learning about digital technology and the importance of safe use of the Internet, in preparation for their research focus in the Romans topic. The children will continue to work with our specialists, Mrs McKendrick and Mrs Tait in P.E and Mrs Watt (from Beeslack) in Art.

### Health & Wellbeing

In our Bounce back programme, alongside Circle Time, the children are learning about how people can 'bounce back' and deal with situations. This will include people who can support us, respecting differences and coping with worries. In P.E. the children will be working on central net games. They will be developing skills in different sports including badminton, volleyball and table tennis. The children will also begin a block of swimming this term, taking place at the Penicuik Centre - more information to follow.

### Other Information

- **Swimming - letters will be sent out. First session Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019. Weekly parent helpers will be required.**
- Full P.E kit should be brought to school on Monday and Tuesday.
- Library - Thursday. If your child wishes to change their book.
- Homework: Monday to be returned Friday.

Thank you for your continuing support.  
Miss Lamb