

Primary 7M

Primary 7M have had a happy and successful time so far this session. They have worked hard in all areas of the curriculum and have all made good progress. They have taken on their responsibilities as prefects in a mature and positive way.

The previous term brought many highlights and the plans for the coming terms look to be just as exciting as the children look ahead to their transition to high school.



Keira reciting a poem with actions!

Highlights from August to December 2017

- The work covered during our novel study on 'Holes' and watching the film at the end of the study.
- The visits from Dalkeith High subject teachers in Art and Spanish who visited the class weekly as part of Transition.
- Coaching sessions delivered by the Rugby Development Officer over a six week period and taking part in a rugby tournament at King's Park at the end of the sessions.
- The visit from Viridor as part of our Renewable and Non-renewable topic.
- Running a Christmas Craft workshop for Primary 4-6 children to raise funds for our Leavers event. Our Enterprise raised approximately £230.
- Planning and selecting equipment to furnish our new classroom Reading area. This should enhance all the children's reading experiences.
- P7 Christmas disco.



Topics

Our topics this term will be World War 2 and Natural Disasters.

World War 2

The children will know:

- what led to the outbreak of WW2 and what countries were involved.
- what was life like at home.
- what key events occurred during the war.
- the treatment of Jews and other minority groups.
- how WW2 ended.



Skills:

- Research and investigation
- Timeline and order of events
- Interviewing
- Evaluating and analyzing information about the war
- Role play and creating

Natural Disasters

The children will know:

- what natural disasters are.
- the causes of natural disasters.
- the development of the disasters.
- the short and long term after-effects.
- the most common locations of the disasters.

Skills:

- Interpreting news reports/articles
- Research and investigation
- Reporting
- Experimenting
- Presenting



P.E.

The children will have P.E. on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. However, they should have P.E. kit in school every day as they will have the opportunity, at various times throughout the year, to participate in trials to represent the school at sporting events. Please note that P.E. kit should not include any football colours.

This term Primary 7M will have the following specialist teachers:

Ms Robson - P.E.
Ms McInroy - Music
Mrs Gallagher will teach the class on a Wednesday to allow Mrs Macdonald to carry out her Principal Teacher duties.

Upcoming Events

- Class trip to National War Museum
- Primary 7 Transition to high school
- High School 2 day visit
- P7 Cluster Camp to Whithaugh
- Forest Schools Sessions
- Sports Day

Ways you can support your child's learning by encouraging them:

- to practise tables.
- to reinforce the work covered on Fractions, Decimals and Percentages.
- to keep up-to-date with current affairs.
- to read a selection of books for understanding and pleasure.

If you have a concern or query....

Write a note to your child's teacher or make an appointment at the office to speak to her.

To share in your child's learning journey please keep in touch by following us on twitter.

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Numeracy and Maths

Our main focus will be on Fractions, Decimals and Percentages whilst following Midlothian's Numeracy Progression.

In Maths we will focus on:

- Shape
- Symmetry
- Time
- Surveys
- Money/Budgeting

We will also continue to look at numeracy within a context, allowing the children to solve problems using a range of number skills and strategies to show transfer of knowledge.

Literacy and English

We will be studying the novels 'Carrie's War' by Nina Bawden and 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas' by John Boyne through reading detective skills:

- Summariser
- Word Finder
- Predictor
- Character Cop
- Skimmer and Scanner
- Question Master
- Link Maker
- Illustrator
- Writer's Tricks

