Welcome to P6S with Miss Slymand. I hope you had a lovely and relaxing summer break. The children have come back to school well rested and ready to learn.

Topics
The children have been very enthusiastic about our first novel study: ‘Tom’s Midnight Garden’ by Philippa Pearce.

Other topics this year will be:
- Rights & Responsibilities (Social Studies)
- Sustainability & Recycling (Technology)
- Robert Burns (Literacy)
- Buddhism (RME)
- Ecosystems & Endangered Animals (Science)
- Solar System (Science)

Numeracy and Maths
The children will continue to follow M.U.M.P (Midlothian Understanding Mathematics Programme), building on from their work in Primary 5. They will extend their knowledge of basic facts and develop skills in using a range of strategies for calculations. This term we will also be working on Angles, Symmetry & Measurement.

Literacy and English
We will be using a Literacy Team format across P6 & P7 whereby learners are set by ability. These groupings are flexible and will change throughout the year. Writing will take place in our own classes. This term the children are working on how to create effective Settings in their stories. As part of the technology project the children will work in groups to develop a marketing pitch for a product they will develop!

Class Rules (developed together in class linked to Children’s Rights)
- We will treat everyone kindly, fairly and with respect (Article 19)
- We will listen to others, share our opinion and be respectful of others opinions. (Article 12)
- Everyone will be treated equally, fairly and with respect. (Article 2)
- We will allow everyone to learn and support each other in class. (Article 28)
- We will take care of our resources and our school environment. (Article 29)

Specialist Teachers
This term Primary 6S will have the following specialist teachers:
- Music with Mrs McInroy on a Monday
- Spanish with Mrs de la Rosa on a Wednesday
- Art with Ms Welsh on a Thursday

P.E.
Children will have P.E. on Mondays. Please ensure children have appropriate clothing and footwear, clearly labelled.

Eco Boutique
The Eco committee are looking for donations for their uniform shop. Please send in washed uniform that is no longer needed by Friday 20th September. The Eco Boutique will be open during Parent Consultations and uniform will be free!

Library
The children will have the opportunity to choose a book from the library to use for silent reading. They are also encouraged to bring in books from home which they are enjoying.

Twitter
To share in your child’s learning journey please keep in touch by following us on Twitter. @woodburnps

Queries or concerns
Please catch Miss Slymand at the end of the day for a quick chat, send in a note, or make an appointment at the school office.

Upcoming Dates / Events:
- September break – 16th & 17th September
- Parent Consultations – 24th & 25th September
- October Break – 14th to 22nd October