



Primary 4 Newsletter - Term 3

Welcome back! We hope you had a wonderful Christmas. Here you will find information about what is going on in Primary 4 this term.

Literacy -

Children will continue to work on spelling patterns and common words. You can support this at home using Spelling City. We will be continuing fictional reading and teaching comprehension and grammar skills through this. In January we will have a Scottish focus which will look at language and poetry. We will continue to work on listening skills and the children will prepare and present a short talk to the class. Details will follow.

Numeracy and Maths -

This term, there will continue to be a focus on addition and subtraction, multiplication and division as well as learning about symmetry, shape and time. Please use any opportunity to allow your child to practise times tables. Times tables are the foundations for many of the mathematical concepts that we will be moving onto e.g. fractions. Therefore, the quicker their recall of times tables, the easier many of these concepts will be.

Learning Across the Curriculum -

This term we will look at Electricity and we hope to have Generation Science in to support this topic. Our social studies topic will be the Romans.

Wider Achievements-

If your child has accomplished any new achievements outside school please encourage them to let us know!

Health and Wellbeing-

Our PE days are Mondays and Tuesdays (P4A), and Thursdays (P4B). This term we are focussing on rhythm and timing through Badminton, as well as balance and control in Gymnastics.

We will be promoting positive relationships by developing 'Cool in School' strategies.

As a whole school we will be continuing to develop our understanding of Visible Learning and Metacognition. In particular we will be encouraging children to develop a resilient attitude.

P4A will be starting a block of swimming in March and P4B will begin in May.

Ideas for Learning at Home-

Reading: Children will be learning Scottish poetry and it would be great if any Scottish poems could be shared at home. Please sign reading home learning diaries to let us know the reading has been done, and encourage your children to complete their tasks to support their reading.

Spelling: Access Spelling City.

Number: Practise tables and any of the areas which are on your child's basic facts bookmark. Please ask your child if you have not yet seen this. For further websites refer to curriculum booklet.

Please check in the new term that all items are clearly labelled especially P.E kit.

We wish Mrs Smart well as she leaves us to begin her maternity leave!

Mrs Thompson, Mrs McLean and Mrs Brandwood