

Dear P7/6 Parents/Carers,

Welcome to all of the P7/6 class after summer holidays. I am sure this year will fly by as we prepare the children for their transition to Primary 7 and secondary school.

Health and Well Being

P.E.

This term our gym days will be Monday (outdoor) and Wednesday (indoor). We will be learning to participate in team games, creating dances inspired by different cultures and developing our basketball and gymnastics skills. On P.E. days, your child should come to school in appropriate gym clothes. Please ensure your child doesn't wear jewellery on gym days. Please note, children are not allowed to take part in gym if they're wearing earrings.

Health

Our health topic this term will be mental, social and emotional health. We will focus on emotions, friendships, personal networks, social media/internet safety, preventing bullying and understanding the importance of the impact of our actions on those around us. This year we are teaching about the Zones of Regulation. P7/6 will be participating in buddying younger children. The school implements restorative conversations in cases of conflict – for more information please follow this link:

<https://restorativeschoolstoolkit.org/>

Literacy

Writing

We will be revising tools for writing at the start of the term. Then we will focus on persuasive writing, and describing characters and setting.

Reading

This term we shall be working on reading strategies by applying them in new contexts with a particular focus on higher order questioning. We will be reading in class every day to help with engagement and developing skills for reading aloud, e.g. fluency and expression.

Talking & Listening

The class will be building communication skills and the ability to work in groups.

IDL (topic)

For our Term 1 IDL, we will be learning about how people used the arts throughout history to share their voices, and fundraising for our class trip and P7 residential. This is a crucial first step in developing enterprise skills and delving into the world of work.

Numeracy

For number, we will be revising and learning new addition, subtraction, multiplication and division strategies. We will be looking at using our whole number strategies with decimals and fractions. We will also be working on 'beyond number' topics, which this term will be looking at bar charts, angles and symmetry.

Outdoor Learning/Other Teachers

Please ensure that your child always brings or wears a sensible jacket (waterproof if possible) and suitable shoes every day, as we never know what the Scottish weather will do! Suncream your child if needed too. We will be engaging in outdoor learning but not on set days, so we need to always be prepared to go outside!

Mrs Saeed will take the class on a Wednesday for literacy, maths, P.E. and French.

Homework

Homework will be starting from the week beginning 31st August

Your child will be given two QR codes, one for them and one for you to scan and set up Seesaw for completing homework online. All photos or files of work should be uploaded to Seesaw. If you cannot access Seesaw then you can request a homework jotter. Your child will be given weekly spelling lists to learn and a numeracy/reading task to complete.

If you wish to support your child further with their learning this term, you could talk to them about the business and enterprise and show them your favourite art.

Meet the Teacher

You are invited to attend the school for P7/6 Meet the Teacher sessions on Wednesday 26th August from 3:15-4:15 (3 sessions) to find out about expectations for the year ahead.

Thanks in advance for your support!

Miss Taylor