

Primary 5 Newsletter -Term 1

Term 1 has now begun. I hope you all had a lovely summer holiday, and the children are ready for a busy term.

Literacy:

The children will be reading both a personal and a class novel this term. We will be looking at reading strategies such as; summarising, meta linguistics, visualising and inferring. In writing the children will focus on non-fiction writing. They will be writing recounts, instructions and will be describing a setting. The class will be focussing on using tools for writing including using good punctuation, vocabulary, connectives and good openers. In grammar, the class will develop their spelling whilst focussing on homophones and antonyms.

Numeracy:

The class will be learning place value with numbers beyond 1000 as well as multiplication and division in addition to fractions, symmetry and interpreting information from a range of data. Pupils will learn how to convert fractions to decimals and then to percentages. The pupils will compare, order, round then multiply and divide by 10, 100 and 1000. They will take part in mental math activities to reinforce their learning.

Health & Wellbeing:

Our gym days are **Monday** and **Tuesday**. It is important that all children remember to remove any jewellery and have a **separate pair** of indoor door shoes that can be worn along with a P.E kit. The class will be learning basketball and gymnastics skills this term. The class are also learning about emotions and self-regulation and how to manage risk in a variety of situations.

Other areas of the curriculum:

We are going to be engaging in project-based learning this term on being a Scottish Tour Guide. The children will have opportunities to explore History, Geography, Literacy, Technology, Art and many more curricular areas. In RME, the children will learn and compare artefacts from different religions. In Science they will explore biodiversity and interdependence.

Outdoor Learning Together

Our class will be participating in Outdoor Learning sessions throughout the week. They will be learning outside, whatever the weather!

If possible, please send your child to school in appropriate clothing for being outdoors, for example, sturdy shoes and a waterproof jacket. We have some spares in school if required. Thank you.

Homework:

Spelling and Numeracy homework will be issued on a Monday and due in on Friday's. Please encourage your child to take responsibility and ownership of these tasks.