Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a lovely October break. Primary 4 are working hard and we have another busy term ahead with a lot of exciting things planned.

Literacy

In reading, we will continue to explore a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts. Children will continue to develop their knowledge and understanding of Active Literacy reading strategies to demonstrate their understanding of a text.

In writing, we will be learning to write persuasive texts and reports. This will include learning and using the structure and writing techniques for these text types. Children will develop their skills in writing plans for their writing and also evaluating their writing once completed.

Children will continue to work through Active Spelling and will learn or revise different spelling rules as well as 'tricky words'. Children should practise their spelling regularly at home. They will complete a spelling challenge at the end of each week.

Maths and Numeracy

In numeracy, we will cover several areas including estimation and rounding, place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will also begin to look at adding equal fractions.

In maths we will learn more about adding money and calculating change, telling the time, symmetry and measurement.

Health and Wellbeing

Our P.E slots will be on a Tuesday morning while we have a tennis coach and a Wednesday afternoon when we have soccer.

Children should attend school on P.E days wearing dark coloured jogging bottoms, a white t-shirt or polo-shirt and their Blackfriars sweatshirt or cardigan. For indoor P.E days, children should bring a change of suitable shoes to wear in the gym hall. Please ensure that your child does not wear jewellery to school on P.E days and that long hair is tied back.

Outdoor Learning

The class will be learning outdoors throughout the term. Please ensure your child is appropriately dressed for the colder weather. Please also add your child's name to the label of their jackets, jumpers and cardigans so that if they are lost, they can be returned to the correct pupil.

Homework

Homework will be added to the Seesaw activities every Monday. This will include spelling words. Please encourage your child to practise reading each day at home to support their progress. Daily use of Sumdog is also beneficial to help your child to develop their numeracy skills.

Thank you for your support,

Ms Ritchie & Mrs Veitch