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SPECIAL NOTES OF INTEREST

- ☺ We have gym sessions on a Monday and a Wednesday. Please ensure your child comes to school with appropriate kit.
- ☺ Please ensure that your child's name is on all personal items.
- ☺ **In-service days:** Friday 7th February and Wednesday 12th February
- ☺ **Half-term holiday:** Monday 10th and Tuesday 11th February
- ☺ **'Come Count with Me' (morning):** Tuesday 18th February.
- ☺ **Parents Evening:** Wednesday 18th March.
- ☺ **Last day of term:** Fri 3rd April – Finish at 2.30pm (Pupils return on Monday 29th April)

We welcome your comments:

Signed _____

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Curriculum News

Term 3 Dates: January –April
Class: Primary 4



Literacy and English

Reading

- Literacy Circle
- Scottish Novel and class study books
- Topic-related reading comprehension activities

Writing

- Continue to focus on VCOP and figurative language, whilst learning different techniques to up- level our writing skills.
- Learning to create recount, instructional and informational reporting pieces of text

Talking and listening

- Presentation skills for Scottish poetry
- Promote talking and listening skills through all curricular areas
- Show and Tell on a Friday afternoon, where children are encouraged to bring in something to discuss.

Mathematics

- Data information: looking at different types of charts and collecting data
- Money: Looking at all coins and notes and exploring different calculations to gather the correct amount of change.
- Developing mental maths strategies (Times tables and number bonds) and focusing on our addition, subtraction, multiplication and division skills.

Social Studies

- Scottish Topic on Mary Queen of Scots.
- Scottish Natural Resources and exploring Global Warming and Climate Change and the effects it has on our country and the world.

Digital Literacy & Computing Science

- Developing word processing and research skills through topic related activities.
- Sumdog, Topmarks, Study Ladder and interactive smart board games

PE

- Gymnastics and connections
- Racquet Sports
- Daily Yoga
- Our gym days will be on a **Monday** and **Wednesday**. Please remember to bring appropriate gym kit. This includes indoor shoes, a t-shirt and shorts. Long hair should be tied back and no jewellery or ear-rings worn. Socks must also be provided for girls to change into if they come wearing tights.

Health & Wellbeing

- Paths (Promoting Alternative Thinking Strategies): Improving self-control and using different thinking skills.
- Substance misuse
- Respect and being respectful
- Responsibility to the wider community and beyond
- Continue with PATHs 'Pupil of the day'
- Daily Mindfulness and yoga

Expressive Arts

Drama

- Presentation skills for Scottish Poetry
- Drama links will also be made to literacy and social studies topics.

Art and Design

The children will be exploring perspective and 3D construction by modelling, impressing *etc.* within seasonal and topic related contexts. They will also continue to explore colour, and shading, light and tone.

Music

- Beat, rhythm, pitch and pulse
- The voice and other musical instruments
- Looking at Scottish music and songs from other countries.

Religious & Moral Education

The children will be developing their awareness of famous influential people. Within that context they will be exploring lifestyle choices and relating them to their own beliefs and values.

French

We will continue to use greetings on a daily basis when we carry out our registration in the morning and during the day in class. Pupils will also be learning about conversational French and recapping on the basis of the language.

Mandarin

We will continue to learn Mandarin with our teacher Miss Chen.

Science

- Mini-Beasts

Homework

Homework this term will include weekly reading books, spelling and maths activities. These will be **issued on a Tuesday** and should be returned the following Monday. A homework diary will also be issued to allow for any teacher-parent communication. Additional Topic homework will be given out usually once or twice a term. Homework folders should only be brought into school on a Monday, any other correspondence will be in your child's school bag.

We hope you feel this helps you to further engage in your child's learning at home.

Thank you ☺



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