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SPECIAL NOTES OF INTEREST

- We have gym sessions on a **Wednesday** and a **Thursday**. 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.
- We are closed for our mid term break from **Thursday 6**th **February** until Wednesday 12th February.
- 'Come Count with Me' (morning): **Tuesday 18th February.**
- Parents Evening: Wednesday 18th March.
- The last day of term is **Friday 3**rd **April 2020**.
- Due to extreme allergies in the school, please ensure your child does not bring in food containing nuts.



: We welcome your comment	S:
Signed	Child's name



Curriculum News

Term: 2 Dates: January - April Class: Primary P5/4

Literac

Reading

A main focus this term will be on reading fiction & non-fiction books. Children will participate in a range of activities that will continue to develop their reading strategies. Pupils will engage in linked writing tasks based on their reading.

Writing

This term, we will focus on Instructional and Report Writing and up-levelling through VCOP. Throughout all writing activities, we will be exploring the effective use of VCOP as a way of improving our work.

Talking and Listening

These skills are promoted through all curricular areas in a range of activities including presentations, debates and discussions.

Mathematics

This term, we will be focussing on the following areas:

- Number Processes (Multiplication and Division & Fractions).
- Problem Solving with a focus on word based problems.
- Mental Maths (using a variety of strategies to answer the same questions).
- Data Handling.
- Money.

Social Studies

We will be exploring Scottish culture and famous people before learning about Sustainability.

I.C.T. / Technologies

- Word Processing/PowerPoint skills.
- Introduction of basic coding using Scratch/Code.org.
- Regular access to iPads in class to enhance research skills.

Health & Wellbeing (includes PE)

PE

- Social Dance (linked with Scotland topic).
- Gymnastics.
- General Fitness circuits which will focus on specific skills.
- Please ensure appropriate gym kit is worn: a change of shoes, t-shirt and shorts. No jewellery should be worn and long hair should be tied back.

Health & Well-Being

Within class we are continuing to follow our new school-wide PAThS programme. This term we will be focussing on Making Good Decisions. Additionally we will be learning about healthy eating, with a focus on Scottish produce.

Expressive Arts

Drama

- Links will be made to Literacy, Health and Well-Being and Social Studies.
- Working through various drama conventions such as hot seating and still image.

Art and Design

- Further develop drawing skills learning to shade & observational.
- Painting explore mixing colours, tints and shades. Identify warm/cool colours, complementary and analogous colours.

Music

- Drumming (bucket beats) beat & rhythm focus.
- Scottish ceilidh music (linked with dance).
- Appreciation of music from other cultures.

Science

This term we will be focussing on Energy Sources and Electricity. Children will participate in a range of practical experiments and STEM activities using KNEX and Lego.

French

- Weather.
- Continue to explore numbers to 50 and beyond.



Religious & Moral Education with Miss McDonald

This term we will be focusing on Influential People and Festivals around the world.

Homework



Homework will be issued on a Tuesday and should be returned the following Monday.

Homework will usually include a spelling and maths related activity. Topic homework will also be issued at various points throughout the term.

We would ask that you spend some time every week revising the concepts taught.

Please continue to encourage your child to read for enjoyment.



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