P6 Classroom Newsletter

Term 3

**Areas your child will be working on this term for Numeracy & Maths:**

**Number:**

Multiplication and Division - inverse calculations, prime numbers, factors

Fractions, Decimals and Percentages

**Beyond Number:**

Money - Comparing costs, understanding profit and loss and calculations using money

Compass-points and Scale

Angles - Measuring, classifying and drawing

**Areas your child will be working on this term for Literacy:**

**Reading:** Non-fiction reading for information & class novel ‘Wilderness Wars’ by Barbara Henderson.

**Writing:** Non-chronological reports, Persuasive & Discursive genres. Development of peer-/self- editing skills (3 weekly rotation of peer-, self-, teacher- marking for longer written pieces).

**Grammar:** continued focus on apostrophes, categorising connectives and punctuation (semi-colons/colons, quotation marks).

**Health and Wellbeing and Other Curricular Areas:**

In preparation for the ski trip, we are encouraging the children to become more independent. You can help at home by supporting children to organise themselves for school. They will also need to know how to put on a duvet cover and pillowcase, fold their clothes and keep their belongings tidy in their rooms!

**Roots to Empathy:** programme delivered by Mrs Northcroft. Baby Noah and his mum will visit us every 3rd Friday. Discussion will focus on the physical, emotional and social development of children.

**Across the Curriculum:** Scottish Geography/Geology focus. We will be looking at how Scotland’s landscape was formed and what it is made up of. We will also look at natural disasters, their causes, and the effects they have on communities.

**Computing:** Coding using Scratch. Children can continue to develop their coding skills at home via the Codeclub.org website.

**Dates for Dairy:**

**February**

Wed 12th - Geology workshop

Thur 13th- Wed 19th - Mid-term holiday

Wed 26th - author visit Barbara Henderson

Wed 26th - P6M Class Assembly

Fri 28th - Glee Competition in Beach Ballroom

**March**

Wed 4th - Fri 6th - Ski Trip

**Weekly Timetable:**

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| Mon | Homework due |
| Tue | PE Kits on alternate Tuesdays – even numbered weeks  French  Mrs Matthew teaching session |
| Wed | Library  PE Kits on alternate Wednesdays- odd numbered weeks  Homework given |
| Thur |  |
| Fri |  |

**How you can help your child’s learning:**

· Encourage your child to read something they enjoy every day. It is very important that children who may be reluctant to read, or find reading challenging, read regularly. Audiobooks can also be used, and a selection of current affairs texts.

· Encourage your child to form opinions about current affairs topics. CBBC Newsround and The Week Junior are great resources to stimulate discussion.

· Continue to practise instant recall of multiplication/division facts and basic number bonds.

· Encourage your child to be organised and take responsibility for producing high quality homework, PE kits etc. When children are awarded four Homework Stars, they will earn a Homework Pass!

· Focus on time management of Homework completion.

· Encourage your child to use a dictionary to find the definitions of unknown vocabulary.

· Please support your child to consolidate mathematical life skills such as telling the time and learning time equivalents (weeks per year, days per year etc.) if not secure yet.

· Please let us know if you have any concerns regarding homework or class work.