

Class - P7 Term - Jan - April 2019

#### Literacy

Our topic will have a Scottish Literature focus and we will be engaging with a range of Scottish texts to build our understanding of the Scottish Language and its heritage.

**Reading:** Reflective Reading will encourage children to engage with a variety of texts and genres. Through this, a range of skills will be taught and reinforced (fluency, expression, comprehension, writers' craft, character studies, skimming and scanning, research, etc). We will apply our skills to topic work and our writing focus. We will be translating well known stories into scots and sharing with younger children in the school.

**Handwriting:** We will be continuing to emphasise the importance of clear, legible handwriting in all tasks.

<u>Writing</u>: We will be continuing to look at the genre of persuasive writing where we will apply our learning of persuasive devices to persuasive texts of our own. Later in the term, we will begin our fantasy story writing, building on our knowledge of well-known fantasy stories.

<u>Grammar and Punctuation</u>: Vocabulary, Connectives, Openers and Punctuation (VCOP) will be taught and then directly linked to pieces of writing.

**Listening & Talking:** Pupils will plan, prepare and deliver a biography talk on a person of their choice. This will be completed as a homework activity.

## Numeracy & Maths

We will be beginning the term with expressions and equations before moving onto 2D & 3D shape. We will complete our measurement block by looking at perimeter, area and volume and later, learn about symmetry. We will explore negative numbers and how to work with them as well as collecting and reading data.

Through daily Number Talks, children will learn and share various mental strategies and how these can be applied to real life situations looking specifically at whole number.

Numeracy can be reinforced at home using Sumdog.

# Health and Wellbeing

**Health:** We will continue to explore Growth Mindset where children build resilience and a positive, healthy attitude towards challenges and their learning.

We will be attending a trip to Risk Factory where children will assess and calculate risks in real life situations.

We will complete the primary Keeping Myself Safe programme this term. <u>PE:</u> P7 will begin the term by focusing on dance and movement to develop their rhythm & timing and respect & tolerance. This will involve learning a variety of Scottish dances and understanding how these are an important part of Scottish culture. They will be given the opportunity to create their own Dance sequences to modern pieces of music/linked to their topic. They will also complete a block of Gymnastics lessons focusing on flight. Finally, we also hope to work a little more on our Badminton/Tennis skills. PE kit should be in school every day and consist of both indoor and outdoor clothing as PE may be outside and be on different days (weather depending).

Other Curricular Areas

**Social Studies:** We will explore our Scottish Literature topic by looking at the history of Scotland, looking at Scottish heritage. We will choose poems by Scottish poets and learn them to perform in front of the class, learn about the life of Robbie Burns, and convert our favourite childhood stories into Scots.

<u>Art:</u> We will explore and respond to the work of famous artists, comparing and contrasting to Scottish artists. We will use inspiration from these artists to create pieces of work of our own.

**Drama:** We will explore various drama conventions through our Drama Box programme linking the use of voice with non-verbal communication and exploring characters for our own fantasy stories.

**Dance:** We will be looking at Scottish country Dancing and perfecting the dances we already know as well as learning new ones. We will try dancing to these to alternative and modern music to see how they compare.

<u>Science</u>: We will learn about evolution and inheritance to understand the development of humans.

## Ethos and Wider School Life

<u>School Values</u>: Fairness, Achieving, Integrity & Respect. These values will be embedded into everyday school life.

<u>Young Leaders</u>: Our Primary 7s are enjoying the responsibilities of their Young Leader roles in school.

**P7 Enterprise and Fundraising:** We are off to a fantastic start with our fundraising for P7 leavers' and our Make £5 Grow was a massive success, making £256.83 profit. Thank you for your support

### Homework

We will provide a variety of homework tasks will be designed to help prepare our P7s for the high school. Details will be in our homework diaries to practice our organisation of home learning.