

## Language & Literacy

### Reading

We are beginning our term by finishing off our first group novel, we will then move straight onto our second novel. Just before Christmas will start our first two week block of non-fiction reading. We will use media, books and pictures to help us learn more about different Christmas traditions. **During the non fiction block reading homework will not be set. We ask that keep up your child's reading stamina by encouraging them to read a book of their choosing at home during the week.**

### Spelling

We are now well under way with our spelling programme, this term our focus phonemes will be 'ie' and 'oa' we will also be learning about the soft 'c' and soft 'g' spelling rules. **Why don't you ask your child to find examples of words with these sounds in the book they are reading?**

### Writing

This term we will be learning to write recounts and information reports. We will be learning to use paragraphs to organise our writing as well as working on improving our spelling across our writing. Then just before Christmas we will revisit our narrative writing and use Christmas to inspire our creations. **At home you can support your child by asking your child to give you a recount of their day. Encourage them to talk through the day in the order events happened. For narrative writing why not ask your child to write their own winter tale, or give them the start of a story and ask them to write a different ending.**

## Children In Need

We will be learning how to organise, plan and run a fundraising event this term. We will be fundraising for Children In Need and learning about all the important work the charity does for children in our local area. **At home you can support your child by encouraging them to look/listen out for fundraising that is happening either in the local community or on the television.**

### Christmas Traditions

In the last two weeks of term we will be exploring different Christmas traditions to our own.

## Primary 4M Curriculum

### Overview October—December 2019



## Numeracy & Maths

### Multiplication and Division

We are starting our term with multiplication and division. We will consolidate how to multiply and divide by 2,5,10 within our times table number range. Then extend our ability to carry out both operations into 2, 3 and 4 digit numbers. **At home you can help your child by giving them numbers that can be multiplied or divided by these numbers. Ask them to work out an answer mentally first then use a written method to check their answer.**

### Addition and Subtraction

We will then move back onto addition and subtraction where we will be consolidating addition and subtraction up to 100 and extending the number range into 3 and 4 digit numbers. We will develop our ability to use written methods including carrying and exchanging. As well broadening our ability to calculate answers mentally. **For addition and subtraction you could give your child quick fire questions on their number bonds to 20 (addition and subtraction sums where the answer does not exceed 20) at school we are looking for fast and accurate recall.**

### Time and Money

We will begin our term by continuing our work on time, consolidating, o'clock, half past, quarter to and quarter past then move onto five minute intervals. In our money work, we will practise calculating totals using coins and notes. Then we will spend time working out change. **At home you can support your child by giving them opportunities to pay for shopping, counting money in a jar or working out change. from small purchases.**

## Health and Wellbeing

For our Health and Wellbeing this term we will be focusing on talking things, what that means and who the people are we can talk to about a worry or a problem. We will also be learning about food and the importance of a balanced diet. **At home you can discuss food choices for tea or lunch and as your child what they think would make a balanced meal.**

## Number And Maths Ideas For Home

### Time Games

Match the times <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Flash.aspx?f=matchingpairstimev3>

Reading the time <https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/116/telling-the-time>

### Multiplication and Division Games

Hit the button <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

Learn your tables <http://www.learnyourtables.co.uk/en/index2.htm>

## Children In Need Topic Ideas For Home

- Explore the children in need website

<https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/>

- Find the charity shops in Kelso, what charity is the shop for? Who does the money raised help?
- Find out about different charities that support a cause you care about.

### Christmas Traditions

Research a way of celebrating Christmas that is different to the way we might celebrate Christmas in Scotland.

## Spelling ideas to help learn those High Frequency Words

1. Blue Vowels, write each of your spelling words but make the vowels blue.
2. Silly Sentences, write each of your spelling words in a silly sentence. Or could you write all of them in a silly paragraph?
3. Bubble Letters, write all of your spelling words in bubble writing.
4. Spelling Poem, try to write a poem use each word in a new line.

*Remember to go back and check you still know your last set of high frequency words.*