

Language & Literacy

Reading

We have started this term with our new group novels. We will use these texts to focus on the higher order reading skills: metalinguistics, summarisation and inference. Moving forward, the children will then apply these strategies to a book of their choice. Our learners are loving the new novels which have been added to our class libraries this year, so this will give them the opportunity to explore them further.

Phonics and Spelling

In response to assessments undertaken in the last term, our learners will spend time revising phoneme families. The children will also continue to work on their personalised lists of high frequency words, which do not follow phonic rules.

Writing

Our class novel 'Wonder' is providing an engaging context for our narrative writing this term. We will use this text to explore settings, character descriptions and stories. Later on, we will be applying our knowledge of natural events to create examples of explanation writing. Throughout the block we will be working on and using: impressive vocabulary, connectives, varied openers and a range of punctuation.

Primary 6

Curriculum Overview



April—June 2021

How do natural events shape our world?

This term will be explosive and dramatic as we explore how land and communities are affected by weather and natural disasters.

Numeracy and Maths

Fractions

We will be developing a conceptual understanding of fractions this term, which will involve lots of “splitting,” sharing” and “sorting.” We will explore fractions as equal parts of a whole, as numbers and as a fraction of a quantity. We will begin our learning journey by focussing on fractions with a numerator of one, before exploring those with varying numerators.

Angles

Our Friday maths lessons will focus on angles this term. We will begin by measuring and identifying right angles and use these to describe directions, turns and shapes.

After this, we will go on to investigate acute, obtuse and reflex angles. We will be using a practical approach, giving learners the opportunity to apply their knowledge in a range of measuring contexts.

Health and Wellbeing

Building Resilience

This term we are taking inspiration from Skipper to create our own goals. We will be exploring achievable and measurable short term targets to help us to realise our dreams.

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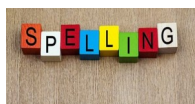
In PE, P6 will initially be focussing on developing physical skills through Athletics. We will be developing our core skills of running, throwing and jumping through different events. We will also look at the techniques in each, improving speed, stamina, coordination and control.

Towards the end of term, the pupils will be participating in striking, fielding and other team games (e.g rounders) to improve their decision making, skills and ability to follow rules.

Edenside Learners

This term we will continue to use our 'Kingdoms of Learning' to reflect on our individual achievements. The pupils will begin each week by selecting an area they wish to focus on and will then use this target to evaluate their learning journeys.

Homework Reminders



Fractions

The world of fractions is full of new language, which we will now be using in our daily lessons. Here are a few tips and key words to support your conversations with your children.

	Fraction A part of a whole. A fraction is made up of a numerator and denominator. The numerator is shown on top of a line and the denominator is shown under the line.
Numerator The top part of a fraction. It shows how many equal parts or shares of the whole there are.	Denominator The bottom part of a fraction. It shows how many equal parts an item has been divided into.
Mixed Number eg $9\frac{3}{4}$ A number that is made up of a whole number plus a fraction.	Equivalent Fraction eg $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{3}{6} = \frac{4}{8}$ These are fractions that may look different when they're written down, but have the same value.

For more information on how we teach fractions, please see the following site: <https://komodomath.com/blog/fractions-a-parents-guide>

For practical suggestions on how to develop understanding of fractions, please see the following site: <https://www.whizz.com/blog/fraction-activities-to-try-at-home/>

Natural Events

Our IDL topic will take us all around the world as we discover the impact of natural disasters. Why not explore how natural events shaped the land around us and how local communities have protected themselves from disaster?

- Visit Selkirk to see the flood defences that have been put in place to protect the town.
- Explore the Eildon Hills and The Black Hill. These are igneous rocks which remain from historic volcanic activity in the Scottish Borders.



Talk to us!

Is there something your child finds difficult? Did you have a very busy weekend? Is there a family event coming up that you think will affect your child? Are you or your child worried about something? If there is anything we can do to help, please write a note, call the office, email us or make arrangements to visit us in school.

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