

Literacy

Reading:

At the beginning of this term, P5/6 will be focussing on our class novel, **Sky Hawk**. Throughout this novel we will analyse the text, develop our understanding on the six reading strategies and discuss main events, characters and themes within the book.

Children also have time each day to enjoy reading a book of their choice from our class library.

Writing:

This term we will write several creative pieces for **narrative** writing. We will also learn more about **recount** writing by retelling events in time order.

For grammar we will focus on punctuation, paragraphing, connectives and adjectives. All of these we will then use in our writing pieces.

Spelling and Phonics:

This term we will continue to focus on **phonemes** and our **HFW** lists to ensure we are confident in using them. We will be looking at how to break unfamiliar words down with a view to make our spelling more accurate. The children take a photo on their iPad of their High Frequency Words lists so they can practise these words at home.

Our 'big question: What is our history?

This term we will be learning about our history through the topic 'Fighting for Freedom'. We will investigate:

- What do we mean by freedom?
- Scottish Wars of Independence 1296 - 1357
- The Jacobites 1685 - 1747
- Present Day - Scotland's place

P5/6M Curriculum Overview

August - October 2021

Important Information

Please support your child to be ready for school by

- PE will take place on a Monday and Wednesday.
- Provide a filled water bottle and a healthy snack every day.
- Providing appropriate outdoor clothing, particularly on Secret Garden Day (Wednesday).
- Charged iPads every day.



STEM and MAD

This year, we are embracing the wider curriculum through **STEM** (Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths) and **MAD** (Music, Art, Drama) activity afternoons. These will be scheduled in three-week blocks so we can dive deeper into exciting learning!

Edenside Learners:

This term we will begin by focusing on the superheroes: Percy Perseverance and Ozzie Organiser. We will be expecting to demonstrate these all of our learning.

Numeracy

After some initial assessments, children will develop and extend their knowledge and understanding around **addition and subtraction**. We will look at these two operations in problem solving tasks. We want to improve the children's resilience in applying previous knowledge to new contexts.

NUMBER TALKS

Just use your

We will also participate in regular **Number Talks** to support and develop the underlying thought processes behind mathematical thinking and to deepen our knowledge.



Maths:

Our weekly Maths sessions will allow our children to develop skills in reading clocks as well as solve problems involving time. Fingers crossed P5/6 will be running the household schedules by the end of term!

Health and Wellbeing:

Building resilience: Resilience is a key factor in protecting and promoting good mental health and helps us cope with the ups and downs of life. We will be focusing on how to be resilient and to build our own toolkit full of strategies about how we can cope with different ups and downs of life. The character **Skipper** will help to show us how to sail on the river called life.

PE: This term we will be learning and participating in **invasion games**. These are team games, which are played on the same pitch/court and with an aim of scoring points or goals. We will be looking to refine the physical techniques involved in each game, and enhance our understanding of the tactics involved to be successful. We are really emphasising on developing our personal qualities when competing; by playing fairly, respecting opponents, and what it means to be a good teammate.