

Literacy

In reading we will be learning to:

- Use inference to find deeper meaning in a text.
- Use different strategies to find the meaning of unfamiliar words and expand our vocabulary.
- Summarise the important events in a story.
- Discuss the main ideas and themes in a story.

In writing we will be learning to write a persuasive piece. Our writing will need:

- An opening paragraph which states the reason for writing and the writer's point of view.
- A section including pieces of information / facts using persuasive language and techniques.
- Connectives eg. then, and, but.
- A summary which brings the main points together and states again the point of view.
- A picture / photo / image to support the point of view and persuade the reader.

'COP 26 and the Journey of Food'

As Scotland hosts COP 26 in November and the eyes of the world will be upon us, we will be learning about how climate change affects every human and animal on the planet.

We will learn:

- What climate change is and why it matters.
- How to adapt to a changing world and reduce our impact.
- What climate change has to do with farming.
- About farms in the Borders and where our food comes from.



P4/5W Curriculum Overview

October – December 2021

Important Information

Please support your child to be ready for school by

- Sending their reading folder every day.
- Sending a named PE kit on a Monday (these will be sent home on a Friday).
- Provide a filled water bottle and a healthy snack.
- Providing appropriate outdoor clothing, particularly on Secret Garden day (Thursday).
- Charged iPads every day.

MAD

This term our focus is Music, Art and Drama. We will explore Hiawatha, a traditional Native American poem, that tells the story of village life, community and respecting the planet.

In drama, we will express our ideas, thoughts and feelings in the role of the characters. In music, we will learn to sing some traditional Native American songs and play rhythms on percussion instruments. In art, we will learn about pattern by creating our own Native American inspired artwork.

Numeracy

In numeracy we will continue to:

Develop our number sense and skills through a range of numeracy topics (such as number word sequences, numerals, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division). Each group will focus on their next steps in developing these essential number skills, so a typical maths lesson can see different topics being covered. We will practise the skills that we have learned through a variety of active and written tasks.

Maths

In maths we will be learning:

- To tell the time using o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to and begin to read the time to the nearest 5 minutes.
- To use analogue and digital 12 hour clocks.
- The number of seconds in a minute, minutes in an hour and hours in a day, days in a week.

Health and Wellbeing:

Safety week – we will spend the first week of term learning about road safety, fire safety and personal safety.

Edenside Superheroes – As well as Percy Perseverance we will be finding out more about the Epic Encourager and how to help others to feel good about themselves.

Personal Wellbeing and Relationships:

P4 – We will learn about how we are all unique and to recognise our similarities and differences, including gender, disability and sexuality. We will also learn about how human life begins and what babies need.

P5 – We will learn about our bodies and how they will start to change, how puberty has impact on our feelings and the importance of personal hygiene. We will also learn about friendship, both in person and online.

PE – We will continue to improve our personal fitness and will learn cooperative skills through teamwork.