Literacy

Reading

During reading this term, as a whole class, we will be working on the same novel for our modelling block, *The Amazing Story of Adolphus Tips* by Michael Morpurgo. We will be breaking down each of our reading strategies to build and strengthen our skills to help us understand and evaluate the novels. Non-fiction texts will be used throughout the term to support our research and learning in other topics.

Writing and Grammar

In writing we are exploring expository and persuasive purposes of writing and linking these with other areas of our learning. We will be looking at the vocabulary, punctuation and characteristics of each purpose.

During writing skills, we will be using our learning to up level our vocabulary, openers, connectives and punctuation (VCOP) to improve our writing. We will also be working on developing the parts of speech further to up level our writing.

Spelling

In spelling we are continuing with our High Frequency Words, phonics and vocabulary building skills this term, working independently and with others to hone our spelling skills. We will also be building our confidence to use our spelling strategies across all our lessons.

P7D

Curriculum Overview

August - October 2023

Please remember:

- P.E. is every Tuesday and Wednesday kits must be worn.
- Cosy clothes/appropriate shoes for Secret Garden visits on Thursdays.
- iPads need to come to school fully charged every day.

IDL

P7's topic this term is Forces and we will be focussing on the specifics that the class identified during their pupil voice session, last term. We will be learning scientific terminology and using it when completing experiments.

We will also be looking at computing science, delving more into programming and using technology.

Health & Wellbeing

P.E.

Term 1 P.E. with Mr Sutton will focus on football skills and team building activities.

Health and Wellbeing

Primary 7 will be revising the Zones of Regulation, specifically how we can use these to identify the strategies we can use to help us to regulate our emotions. We will also be looking at building resilience and, again, the strategies we can use to help us in tough times.

Kingdoms

This term P7 will continue looking at our Kingdoms of Learning. Our Kingdoms each have skills and strategies we can use to benefit and support us throughout our learning.

Numeracy & Maths

Numeracy

This term we are working on place value (up to 6 digits and up to 3 decimal places) and the four operations. We will also be exploring estimating, rounding and will have some Scottish Maths Week activities too.

<u>Maths</u>

We will be looking at mathematics impact on the world and data handling this term in maths. We will be collecting, organising, presenting and interpreting data in different ways this term. We will also be transferring these skills and using them to understand our findings from our forces experiments. We will also be linking in the topic of chance and uncertainty.

Ways you can help at home

Spelling:

Practising our spelling words at home can help develop our spelling skills. Encouraging the use of our spelling strategies when spelling anything at home can boost skills and encourage the use of strategies outside of spelling lessons.

If your child uses 'Nessy' – this is a brilliant tool to use as a top-up on practice.

Reading:

During our modelling block, a Word Doc. of our novel is on Showbie so your child is able to relisten/reread the reading we have completed that day if they would like to. Listening to your child read can help improve their fluency and expression skills and also help to build their confidence reading aloud. Asking them questions about what has happened so far; predictions for what will happen; who is relevant to the storyline, etc. all help to develop and strengthen their reading skills.

Number and Maths:

Hit the Button and Sumdog are both great ways to practice number skills at home. Discussing the learning and using them in real life situations can help P7 make the connections in their learning to the wider world.

Encouraging a positive and growth mindset towards learning is hugely beneficial and carries into all aspects of learning.

Talk to us!

You know your child best, please let us know about anything that will help us work with your family and child in the best way possible.

Is there something at school that 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 is your child worried about something?

You can write us a note, call the office and you can also email the school office which will then be sent forward to me.

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Useful Websites for Learning

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