# Literacy

## Reading

This term we are moving onto group novels. One group is reading *Dragonfire*, another group reading *Wonder* and the final group are reading *The Wreck of the Zanzibar*. Each group will focus on each of the 6 strategies – further developing our learning from term 1.

# Writing and Writing skills

Writing this term will be focussing on descriptive to describe a setting, narrative to develop story-telling and expository to report on our learning.

In writing skills the class will be focussing on figurative language, sentence length and punctuation.

P7 will be using their learning from writing skills in their writing pieces.

## **Spelling**

In spelling we are continuing with our High Frequency Words, phonics and vocabulary building skills this term. We will begin to link learning and strategies in spelling into other subjects to show our understanding and boost confidence.

# P7D

# **Curriculum Overview**

October - December 2023

## **Please remember:**

- PE 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.

# **Health & Wellbeing**

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Mr Sutton will work with P7 to complete some blocks of gymnastics floor work working on partner balances and movement on apparatus including flight, hockey skills leading to small sided games and Scottish Country Dancing this term in PE.

## **Health and Wellbeing**

Primary 7 will be continuing their learning of the Zones of Regulation, looking at our inner coach and inner critic.

We will also be completing follow up tasks from assembly all about Children's Rights and the UNCRC.

## **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.

#### IDL

P7's first topic this term is manufacturing. We will be taking a look back at the manufacturing industry throughout history, learning about how it has evolved and grown over the years. These lessons will incorporate some art and textile work into our learning.

We will then turn our focus back to science for a topic on electricity. Again, we will learn about how electricity has changed over the years, comparing history to present day.

## **Numeracy & Maths**

# **Numeracy**

This term we are starting with expressions and equations working with function machines to complete some tasks. Then we will be looking at the 4 operations and using decimals more regularly in our problems. We will continue to work on rounding and estimating.

## Maths

Term 2 maths will have a focus on angles, shapes and patterns. We will be linking all 3 topics throughout this term. Our learning will involve looking at these topics in the real world and seeing their impact in our everyday lives.

# How 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 use as a top-up on practice.

## Reading:

During our modelling block, a copy of each 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 one of us.

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## **Useful Websites for Learning**

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