

P7W TERM 1 OVERVIEW



TOPIC



This term's main topic is Biodiversity and we'll be exploring what that means. Furthermore, we'll be looking after some living creatures in class. The Tweed Foundation have agreed to support us by visiting the class with 'invertebrates', 'fish from the Tweed and then a wee visit to the river. That should all be hands-on fun and help the learning stick for life. We have a little song we hope to learn off by heart related to the topic too.

Health and Wellbeing

PE & 'activity'

PE is on Wednesday morning first thing and Thursday last thing. Pupils are welcome to wear PE coming in on Wednesday (please remember school uniform to change into) and going home on Thursday.

P7 are doing team building activities and hockey (in preparation for the P7 hockey festival).

Swimming

There will be 5 sessions of swimming this term (and 5 more next term too)- further details to follow.

Daily mile

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday most weeks will see the class clocking up the miles running around for 15-20min each afternoon.

In class

We'll be refreshing our awareness of the 'Zones of Regulation', investigating some 'Kingdoms of Learning', deepening our knowledge about Neurodiversity with what is called the 'LEANS' programme.

Mathematics

We will be developing our ability to represent, show and explain number awareness through drawing bar models. We'll apply these to real world maths problems. We will explore place value from the very small world of decimals to the millions and possibly beyond.

Our topic lends itself to data handling and we'll collect and represent relevant information. We'll also explore data through 'Data Talks'- inferring meaning, predicting possibilities and summarizing causes from that information.

We will also look at other forms of measuring- mainly to support our Topic too- temperature, time, and very accurate measuring of length.

Literacy

Reading

The term starts with a whole class novel 'Wonder' by R.J Pelacio. This exercise is intended to help us revisit all the North Lanarkshire reading strategies. Pupils will then take these forwards through other texts in the rest of the year.

We will also engage with several non-fiction texts to support our topic. We will be searching for key information then extracting and organising it.

Writing

There will be regular opportunities for handwriting- encouraging neat, well-structured joined up writing.

Learning about conjunctions and how to best use them will support our writing of information reports and narrative writing.

Our Topic will enable us to produce report writing about our key findings. It will also enable us to become good 'descriptive' writers as we seek to communicate what we see with clarity.

Spelling

High frequency words, phonics and key Topic related vocabulary will be used throughout the term.

Homework

There is no expectation that any work is done at home. However, some enjoy tasks that augment learning and there will be opportunities for home learning on a regular basis; Topic related and

supporting the development of core knowledge
(spelling, times tables etc).

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