

Literacy

Reading

We will continue to use the core comprehension strategies we introduced last term. Pupils will be encouraged to complete their group novel tasks with increasing independence. Reading homework will support the progress of learning in class by allowing pupils to develop their fluency and understanding of their novel.

Writing

In writing we will be focussing on descriptive and narrative styles. We will develop character and setting descriptions by using adjectives and adverbs to uplevel our work.

We will continue to develop our understanding of different types of sentences; consistently use capital letters, finger spaces and full stops and build our writing stamina.

Oracy

In oracy we will:

- continue to focus on developing our skills using our physical voice, using appropriate vocabulary, content and building on the views of others.
- take part in activities that will emphasise how to show respect, consideration and thoughtfulness for other people.

P4s will lead a Remembrance Day Assembly where they will demonstrate their ability to project their voice to an audience.

All P4s and P5s will be supporting the P6 Christmas Show by singing songs.

P4/5 Curriculum Overview

August – October 2024

Important Information

Please support your child by

- Sending a named PE kit into school on a Monday and a Tuesday.
- Provide a filled water bottle and a healthy snack. This could be fruit, crisps or biscuits but **not** sweets.
- Providing appropriate clothing for breaks and learning outdoors.
- Please discourage your child from bringing toys to school.

Health and Wellbeing:

PE

In PE we will be learning to develop skills in Gymnastics, Scottish Country Dancing and in Volleyball.

Zones of Regulation & Learning Heroes

We will build on our knowledge and understanding of the 'Zones of Regulation' to help us to recognise and regulate our emotions. We will 'meet' and use our learning heroes *Mistake Magician* and *Ozzie Organiser* to help us to '*Be the best we can be*' in our work.

Relationships, Sexual Health and Parenthood:

In P4, we will learn about similarities, diversity and respect. Children will look at the stereotypes for boys and girls and disabilities. In P5, we learn about feelings and puberty and personal hygiene.

Safe

With the 'Be Safe' programme we will focus on fire safety and community safety. P4 will learn about smoke alarms and "keeping it real" in the community. P5 will learn about phoning 999 and ASB definitions.

Anti-bullying Week – w/b 11th November

We will be taking part in lessons centred around the focus of respect. We will be learning and discussing how to respect others and ourselves.

Numeracy

In numeracy we will be learning to develop our whole number mental calculation skills

- Adding and subtracting, calculating doubles/near doubles and partitioning into place value parts
- Multiplying and dividing, developing knowledge and understanding of the multiplication and division facts for times tables

Each group is focusing on their next steps in developing these essential number skills.

Maths

We will be focussing on:

- identifying lines of symmetry.
- creating symmetrical pictures with more than one line of symmetry.
- using mathematical vocabulary in relation to 2D shapes and 3D objects.
- creates nets and skeletal models of 2D shapes and 3D objects.
- identifies and continues patterns, involving shapes, in our environment.

IDL: Natural Disasters

We will be digging deep to uncover the layers which lie beneath the Earth's surface to learn about the layers of the Earth. We will then explore different natural disasters that occur around the globe. P4/5 will research the causes and the impact these disasters have on people and their environment. We will also consider how scientists are working to predict natural disasters and minimise the damage caused.

MAD

In music, we will be playing tuned instruments.

In art, we will use clay to create 3D objects.

In drama, we will be developing our characterisation by acting out various roles.

How you can help at home

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Reading for Enjoyment

We will read for enjoyment in class. Please continue to read with your child to help foster a love of reading. We encourage as many of our pupils as possible to use Kelso Public Library to borrow books for free and also the Live Borders app *BorrowBox* where audio books are available.

Reading Wise

P4 will use the website *Reading Wise* in class and at home to develop phonic fluency and/or knowledge of words. To support your child at home we will encourage them to spend between 1 and 3 blocks of 15 minutes a week using this resource. Certificates of achievement are celebrated every Wednesday.

Numeracy

At Edenside we love maths! It is important that a when you are talking about maths that you are enthusiastic and positive.

Talk about Maths and Numeracy

Discuss the maths and numeracy in everyday life. Include your child in activities involving numbers and measuring, such as shopping, cooking and travelling.

Online practise

We will use the website *Sumdog* in class and at home to develop number fluency and to consolidate learning.

iPads

We use our iPads every day in class and so it is important that they are brought into school **fully charged**.

Showbie

You will have received an invitation to join our class Showbie page using the code provided. Please look out for regular posts in our Class News blog.

Health and Wellbeing

Please spend a little time looking at and discussing the 'Zones of Regulation' picture below to ensure your child is familiar with the emotions that belong to each colour.

The ZONES of Regulation

			
Blue Zone Sad Bored Tired Sick	Green Zone Happy Focused Calm Proud	Yellow Zone Worried Frustrated Silly Excited	Red Zone overjoyed/Elated Panicked Angry Terrified