

P5D

January-April

- PE on Tuesdays and Wednesdays
- Outdoor learning on Wednesdays
- iPads MUST be charged for school

Reading:

In reading, we will be starting the term with a focus on Scot's poetry. We will be learning how to translate Scots into English. P5s will work on reciting poems, using actions, enunciation and proper pronunciation. Then we will begin reading non-fiction texts and transferring our skills from our novels over. We will end the term with another modelling block of a new novel.
Please look at the next page for how to help at home.

Writing:

We will be starting the writing skills this term looking at aspects of figurative language like similes and alliteration. P5s will also do a block of poetry writing where we will learn about various types of poems and create our own versions. Later in the term we will also go back to some narrative writing, using the skills we learnt back in term 1 and adding in our figurative language work.

Number:

P5s begin the term looking at strengthening and extending their multiplication knowledge - building on the strategies from last year and looking at some more word problems. Each group will also have a specific times table focus to better their knowledge. We will also do a more focussed look at factors, multiples and primes, alongside some estimation work.

Maths:

In maths we are going to be starting measurement. We will learn about length, weight and capacity and how to convert between various units of measurements. P5s will use a hands-on approach when reading scales for all measurement tools.

HWB:

We will recap our Zones of Regulation, reminding the learners of the strategies they can use when they feel dysregulated. We will then turn our focus onto our *RSHP* and *Go Safe Scotland* blocks of learning.

IDL:

Our topic this term will be *Scotland and Beyond*. We will be learning all about the physical landscape and features of Scotland, the important things in our culture and comparing these things to another country around the world.

How you can help at home

Fine Motor Skills:

Fine motor skills are essential for being able to write for a longer period of time and to have accuracy in handwriting. This is an important skill used throughout school and in the wider world.

Below are some ideas of how to develop these skills:

- Lego
- Threading
- Picking things up with tweezers or tongs
- Using pegs
- Tightening and loosening nuts and bolts
- Moulding with playdough

Literacy:

Encouraging your child to read for enjoyment at home is a great way to get them interested in reading and develop their skills further. Asking them questions about their book, the plot, characters, what they think will happen next, etc. will also help develop their skills.

Listening to audiobooks and podcasts are also great tools.

Below are some links:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zdp4pg8>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zncgvk7>

If your child has an Oxford Owl account then they will have reading to complete and practise at home.

If your child has a ReadingWise account they need to practise this at home at least 3 times a week for 15 minutes at home.

Numeracy:

Practising simple addition, subtraction, multiplication and division calculations is beneficial for retaining learning and consolidating skills. Sumdog is a wonderful tool for this too.

Below are some links to websites:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/daily10>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/mental-maths-train>