

# Mauricewood Primary School



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Welcome back P4H! I hope you all had a lovely Easter holiday. We have a very busy summer term ahead!

## Primary 4H Term 4 Newsletter

### Literacy

Literacy this term will be based around our novel study of *The Fish in Room 11* by Heather Dyer. Pupils will develop their skills in predicting, identifying and explaining characters' feelings, creating questions about texts and summarising. Writing sessions will focus on persuasive writing and instructions, and to develop skills in listening and talking pupils will have the opportunity to work in groups to design and present an underwater land.

### Numeracy/Maths

Numeracy this term will continue to follow the SEAL programme, with pupils learning within different aspects of numeracy each day. All children will continue to work with Mrs Mackie at least once a week. In Maths, we will focus on information handling and journeys, providing pupils with rich active learning opportunities and allowing them to apply the skills developed in a variety of contexts.

### Learning in other areas of the curriculum

Our topic learning will focus on the Romans, comparing Scotland now with Roman times. Children will learn about the Roman army, Roman ways of life including entertainment and food, and the importance of Roman inventions for our lives today. We will also explore Roman numerals and mosaic patterns, focusing on the ways they helped Roman people in everyday life. We will continue to develop our learning of computers and programmes through exploring the tools available in Microsoft Word and Powerpoint. The class will continue to work with our PE specialist, Mrs McKendrick first thing on a Tuesday morning. They will also begin working with our Music specialist, Mrs Callaghan and receive sessions on Health with Mrs McClelland.

### Health & Wellbeing

The class will continue to attend swimming lessons at Penicuik Pool on Wednesday mornings until the end of term. They will also take part in I-bike sessions with visiting professionals. We will continue to use the Cool in School programme to encourage pupils to develop strategies for managing minor disputes amongst their peers. Mrs McClelland will also focus on growth mindset within her Health sessions.

### Other Information

- Full P.E kit should be brought to school on **Monday and Tuesday**.
- Mrs Galeotti will take the class on Wednesdays.
- P4 Swimming block continues every Wednesday until the end of term. Please arrive at school by 8.30am.

Thank you for your continued support.  
Miss Hannah