



It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school refreshed and ready for a busy term ahead. We are looking forward to hearing the children's ideas for learning activities for our new topics and seeing the progress they make in their learning over this term!

Literacy

We have started this term with a short focus on Scots Language. As well as Scots poetry recitals the children have been learning some different Scots words and having a go at using these in their writing. Once our block on narrative writing is complete we will move on to look at non-chronological reports, instructions and letter writing. In reading our focus will be finding and using information. As well as working on an independent research task in school we will be issuing books in the coming weeks for homework.

Numeracy

In addition to continued practise of the four operations and mental agility, our topics for numeracy will be fractions, decimals and percentages. Times tables and the linked division facts will continue to be ongoing every week. The children will be continuing their measure work by learning about weight, capacity and volume. This will involve practical investigations as well as using and understanding place value to make metric conversions. We hope to put this into a real life context by doing some cooking!

Learning in other areas of the curriculum.

The children enjoyed their Scotland Comparison Study and having a say in the other country they chose to learn about. We looked at mapping, features of physical landscapes and culture. This term we are looking forward to our STEM topics of Sustainable Energy and Body Systems. Before Easter we will also have a short focus on Engineering and Design. We hope to have some input from the Midlothian Digital Team where children will have the opportunity to explore coding using microbits.

Health & Wellbeing

Our main focus this term is Relationships, Sexual Health and Parenthood. We will revisit the themes covered last year before progressing to this year's topics. We have started this term with a whole school block of work on Anti-Racist Education and will be continuing this both at assemblies and in class over the term. P.E. is on a Tuesday for P6B and a Wednesday for P6A. Children should wear suitable clothes and footwear for PE on their P.E. days.

Other Information

Homework - This term homework will be issued in 3 week blocks starting from Monday.

Chromebooks - There will be a specific digital homework task set once in each 3 week block. During this week chromebooks will be sent home.

Thank you for your support. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to give us a call!