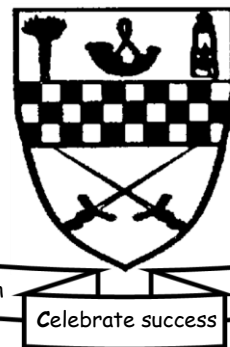


Mauricewood Primary School



Welcome to our first P5/6 newsletter. The children have all settled back into school and are working hard.

Literacy

In writing we are starting the session with a focus on persuasive texts. This will link to our topic on Sustainability and Harvest. We will then move on to a block of imaginative writing. In reading we started the term with a novel study based on the book Wonder. This has linked nicely with work we have been doing in health on friendships, kindness and emotions. Our reading group sessions are up and running with children working hard each week to complete reading work and associated tasks for homework. In listening we are focussing on following instructions and concentration skills.

Numeracy/Maths

In numeracy we have started the term looking at strategies for addition and subtraction. We will also work on multiplication and division. This focus on times tables will help when we move onto fractions work later in the term. We have also started work on our Basic Maths Facts challenges, consolidating knowledge and gaining new skills as we progress through the levels. In Maths we have started the term with a block of work on angles and lines, using protractors to both measure and draw angles. We will also cover measure, 2D and 3D shape and symmetry this term.

Learning in other areas of the curriculum

This term we will be learning about sustainability, with a particular focus on food - food waste, food miles and the impact what we eat has on the environment. We are looking forward to sharing this learning with you at our class assembly. We will also undertake work comparing Scotland with Mexico. This will involve mapping, history and culture. As part of this topic we will also be learning some basic Spanish. In art, we are learning about colour theory and applying this knowledge in our work.

Health & Wellbeing

We are lucky this term to be working with Mrs McKendrick, our PE specialist. The children are working on ball skills.

We are revisiting our Zones of Regulation this term. This gives children support in talking about and managing their emotions.

We are also focussing on the UN Rights of the Child. We will look at the articles contained in the charter and use these as the basis of our own class charter.

Other Information

PE: Children should come to school dressed for PE every Tuesday.

Reading homework: Children should bring their reading book and reading record to school daily. Reading homework is due on Tuesdays.

Dates for your diary:

- 6th October: P5/6 & P6 Class Assembly-
 - 2nd November: P5/6 & P6 trip to the Forth Bridges Visitor Centre
- Seesaw: Look out for your child's work and achievements being shared on Seesaw.

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Thank you for your continued support.
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