Mauricewood Primary School

Happy New Year to everyone! I hope you had a lovely festive break.

We have had a busy few weeks back in school and it has been great to see the children settled back into routines. I have outlined below our main learning for this term. I will continue to communicate ongoing information with you through Seesaw.



Literacy

We are currently looking at the Scots Language and tying this in with Scottish poetry and learning some Scottish songs (we are also learning some Scottish Country Dances). In Reading, we will continue to teach reading skills, linked to reading books whilst looking at other books in class. We will also be looking at the skills of finding, selecting, sorting and using information from a variety of non-fiction books. Spelling words will be given out weekly and the pupils should practise spelling these at home. In Writing, we will be writing an Imaginative Story. For Functional Writing, we will be designing information posters and leaflets.

Numeracy and Maths We will continue to work on Place Value and doubling

& halving numbers. We will begin to look at division

and linking multiplication to division. Rounding numbers will be introduced, as will comparing numbers using 'more than' and 'less than'. In Maths, the children will be working with money. Naming and recognising coins and notes (to £10) at home would help reinforce this learning. We will also be exploring Time using analogue and digital clocks. When investigating Directions, we will use terms such as 'clockwise', 'anti-clockwise', 'full', 'half and

All of the above will involve written work, practical activities, mental strategies, games and ICT Challenges are set on Sumdog and these can be accessed at home.

Other Areas of the Curriculum

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We have been learning lots of skills on our Chromebooks. This term we are going to look at Google Documents and how to use the ReadWrite toolbar (information about how to use this feature at home was previously put on Seesaw). Our topics this term will focus on Global citizenship and My home, My town, My community. This learning will centred around 'The Lorax' book and the themes it explores surrounding environmental issues. We will link this to local and national issues and investigate what we can do to help. In Art, we will be exploring sculpture & printing, where we will model with clay and experiment with different printing techniques. Drama activities will be linked to 'The Lorax'.

Health & Wellbeing

P.E. days - Tuesday and Thursday (Please send your child in their PE kit). In PE, we will working on stamina and fitness. We will also be working with Penicuik Rugby club on rugby skills.

RSHP - The P2s will be following the RSHP programme (the P3s did it last term). We will explore friendships, privacy, looking after ourselves and people who take care of us. This ties in with our Building Resilience Programme, which we will all be following. A Parent information sheet will be sent via Seesaw about this.

Other Information
Our Class Assembly, which will be centred around our topic of Global
Citizenship, will be shared with parents and carers on Friday 1st March at 9.15am (a reminder will be put on Seesaw nearer the time).

Music with Mrs O'Connor is on a Friday.

Thank you for your ongoing support. As always, if you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school. Kind regards, Mrs Carr