

Mauricewood Primary School



Welcome to P4

The children have come back enthusiastic and ready to learn after the Christmas Break. We are looking forward to having a PGDE student working with us this term and together we will have lots of exciting learning activities planned.

Literacy

The children will be working on a variety of reading skills including using non-fiction to find information. This will be linked to the Romans and will allow the opportunity to build confidence with the Read, Write toolbar. In Writing, we will be looking at the features of a Warning Story with a focus on developing a setting. Our focus for Listening and Talking will be The Scot's Language and we will be presenting and enacting the poem, 'A Dugs a Dug' at our Scot's assembly in January.

Numeracy/Maths

Our key areas in numeracy will continue throughout the term-multiply/divide, add/subtract/numbers and fractions. This will involve problem solving, practical activities, games and ICT. In Maths, children are learning to count money, calculate change, estimate amounts and apply addition and subtraction skills to perform calculations. We will also explore other ways that people can pay for items.

Learning in other areas of the curriculum.

The children will be learning about Scotland through the context of The Romans. This was the children's choice. This will be a comparative study, comparing life in the past to life today. We will be looking closely at sources of evidence from the past, creating timelines and learning through a variety of ways-Art, Drama, Music and Technology. As before, the children will be consulted on their ideas for this term's plan as we continue to look at developing pupil voice in planning. This links with the UNCRC: Article 12 *'You have the right to an opinion and for it to be taken seriously.'*

Health & Wellbeing

This term we will be looking at being 'Safe and Happy Online' through the RSHP programme. The children will also learn how to build resilience through a whole school approach of promoting mental, social, physical and emotional well-being. They are currently learning about 'The River of Life' and the strategies they can use when life throws obstacles at them. I will be taking the class on Friday for P.E. sessions with a focus on Scottish dance. Please ensure that your child is wearing suitable clothes and shoes.

Other Information

The children will have reading homework every week. Please ensure the reading diary is signed, thank you.

P4 will have their first swimming lesson on Wednesday 22nd March and this will take place every Wednesday until 21st June. More information will follow in the coming weeks.

As the weather is so unpredictable at the moment please ensure your child is wearing warm clothing this term.

I look forward to working with you to support your child's learning throughout this term. Please look at the regular posts on seesaw where you will find examples of your children's learning. It would be great if you could pop a like on these posts to show you have seen them. Thank you, Cheryl Nemeč

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