

Literacy

The pupils will participate in daily VCOP activities to support the development of writing skills. We have began working through our Big Writing Adventure—looking at endangered animals and how we can write persuasive reports to bring attention to their plight. This is particularly challenging and it would be beneficial if you talk to your child about each week's focus (and complete any talking homework that will go home to support this).

For our reading, we will continue to work on the '12 comprehension strategies' each day as well as promoting reading for enjoyment as the children take part in the Accelerated Reading programme. We have been challenging ourselves to read more, achieve our reading targets, and as a class we have now read more than 3 million words! A MASSIVE well done to Primary 6!

Science/Technology

This term's science and technology block will be exploring the functions of the human body (such as how our respiratory and digestive systems work) and the energy sources we use in every day life (a very relevant subject with COP26 taking place in Scotland).

Topic

Primary 6 have just started a very exciting topic of World War 1. We will be learning about the conflicts which took place during this war, the human loss elements and comparing and contrasting how technology has changed since the war. Alongside this, we will be reading our new class novel—Warhorse by Michael Morpurgo.



Contacting School

As Covid restrictions change and routines may also change, it can get a bit confusing. If you require to contact any class teacher to support with concerns or questions you should do this via the school office. I am also happy for any parents to discuss any issues they have with myself either in the morning before the class is brought in, or after school as the children leave.

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Primary 6 Newsletter 2

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Welcome back!

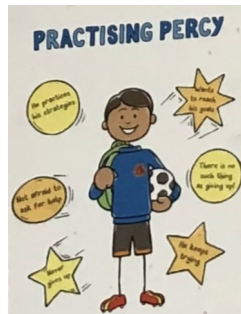
Welcome back to our exciting second term of Primary 6! The class have had an impressively successful first term—making strides in their learning across all areas—and this term will hopefully bring the same. Our successes include being the first class to reach 1 million words read on accelerated reader, winning the P4-7 dance competition, taking part in maths week and having fun with lots of STEM activities, as well as successfully completing our one hour of coding module and programming some simple scripts. Everyone has settled in really well already this term as we complete the next steps in our learning, eventually bringing us to the half way mark of Primary 6 (and well earned December break!)



General Class Information

Classroom Behaviour Expectations

In P6 we are continuing to use our behaviour chart. Pupils will get moved up the chart for following the class rules, approaching learning positively and being helpful. We have also began picking a secret student who will be monitored to see if they can follow our Fieldy Focus for the day too!



Homework

Homework will be following the same routine as the previous term. Students will be given numeracy and spelling homework every Tuesday to be completed in their homework jotter. This is expected to return the next Monday to be marked.

Spelling homework will involve copying a list of spelling words and then picking any activity from a spelling menu to support accurate spelling. Numeracy revision sheets will also be given to help consolidate all the work we are doing in class—the difficulty of these tasks will increase throughout the term.

PE and Outdoor learning

Our PE days have recently changed this term with the return of Mr Peacock taking the students on Thursday mornings. This means students will have their indoor PE lessons on Monday with Mr McIntyre where we have been measuring our fitness, and Thursday mornings with Mr Peacock. Learners can come dressed for PE on the days allocated for PE.



As we move into the colder and wetter months, please ensure your child brings a suitable outdoor jacket to allow us to make use of outdoor facilities if required.

What learning looks like this term:

Maths and Numeracy

We are continuing to use our daily focus on different numeracy domains each day throughout the week. Monday



we will work on multiplication and division strategies, Tuesday will focus on addition and subtraction, Wednesday we explore number structures, Thursday we look at patterns and algebra and Friday we work on our fractions and percentages. The pupils have worked incredibly hard on this in the first term and are all showing incredible progress already!

This term's maths topic will be a challenging one as we attempt to cover 'money'. This topic will be different for each pupil depending on their prior knowledge and will cover a breadth from being able to add totals and give change, understanding the benefits and risks of debit and credit cards, and working with real life applications of budgeting for weekly shopping and monthly expenses.