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Dear Parent and Carers,

Happy New Year! We hope you had a lovely Christmas break. We have a very busy term ahead full of lots of exciting learning opportunities for everyone and we look forward to sharing some of the wonderful work created by our P6 learners with you across the next few months.

### Primary 6 – Term 3

<p><b>Health and Wellbeing</b></p> <p>We will continue with our Building Resilience Programme this term looking at “Respected and Healthy.” This will give our learners an opportunity to explore how to maintain a healthy lifestyle physically, mentally and emotionally.</p> <p>As we continue to work towards our Silver Rights Respecting School Award, we continue to incorporate our Rights into every lesson and talk about them daily.</p> <p>P6 will be focusing on Fitness and Basketball in PE and continuing our work in class developing positive attitudes and working on our Circle of Control.</p>	<p><b>Literacy</b></p> <p>We have already begun work on our Poetry topic within Literacy and learners have been working hard to create some wonderful examples of these already. We will be continuing to develop Listening and Talking skills as learners prepare to present their Scots Poems to the class. Our class novel is ‘My Friend Walter’ and we will be completing lots of varied short and long reads based on this text. Our talk for Writing focus this term is ‘Wishing Stories’, which we know learners will love using their imaginations and being creative with.</p>	<p><b>Numeracy and Mathematics</b></p> <p>Our learners will continue to use their knowledge of the four processes each week to continue building their confidence when problem solving.</p> <p>In term 3, we will be focusing heavily on consolidating knowledge of Fractions, Decimals and Percentages, using lots of practical activities to develop confidence using these skills.</p> <p>In Mathematics, our focus is Measure and Data Handling, linking well with our class topic of Climate Smarter and using multiplication and division skills in a fun and hands-on manner.</p>
<p><b>Ethos and Wider Life of the School</b></p> <p>Term 3 continues to see further opportunities for extra-curricular activities across the school. Please speak to your child about taking part in these activities. They will be available at lunch time and at the end of the school day.</p> <p>We are really keen to hear about any achievements outside of school life. Please continue to share any exciting achievements – we really enjoy celebrating these with our learners so please let your child bring in any certificates, trophies or photographs of their achievements.</p> <p>Our Decision Making Groups are well underway and activities continue to take place across the school.</p>		<p><b>Opportunities for Wider Achievement</b></p> <p>At Newtongrange Primary we love to celebrate our learners' achievements inside and outside of school. We have been looking at ways to record celebrations and are trialling using a class 'Wider Achievements' Jamboard. The class Jamboard can be found in your child's Google Classroom. This term, we will be encouraging all learners to add to their page through dated post it notes and photographs. We would welcome you adding to the jamboard too. Your child should be able to show you how to access these but if you need any support do not hesitate to get in contact.</p>
<p><b>Discrete Subjects</b></p> <p>In Term 3, we will continue to develop our French language skills, as learners have enjoyed the topic so far this year. We will be focusing on Hobbies and Sports. We will continue to use our Chromebooks in all areas of the curriculum to enhance learning opportunities for all.</p>	<p><b>Learning across the Curriculum</b></p> <p>We have begun Term 3 with a Scotland topic, where learners have been creating some wonderful artwork inspired by Scottish artists and researching the history of the Scots Language.</p> <p>We are very excited to be starting our new Climate Smarter topic this term, which will</p>	<p><b>Dates for your diary</b></p> <p>19th January, 9th February, 1st March - Wider Curriculum          26th January – Scots Assembly          5th-9th February – Children’s Mental Health Week          12th – 16th February – holiday          8th March – World Book Day          22nd March – Achievement Assembly</p>

In RME we will be looking at the Easter Story.

involve lots of group work and experiments.

28<sup>th</sup> March – End of Term