

## Topic

This term we start our topic about Fair Trade. The children will be researching the need for Fair Trade and identifying the products and countries involved.



The children will be take part in debates about ethical trading, and using persuasive writing to encourage people to support Fair Trade.

Children will be making Gingerbread Men using Fairtrade ingredients and selling these at the Winter Fair.



In our writing lessons the children will write recipes and create posters to advertise their products.

Other topics this year will be:

- Healthy Body (H&WB)
- Other World Religions (RME)
- Forces & Electricity (through Science Week)

## Library

The children will have the opportunity to choose a book from the school library every **Thursday**. This must be returned before selecting a new book.

## Specialists

This term the children will have:

**Spanish** with Mrs de la Rosa

**Art** with Miss Welsh

**PE** with Miss Bertram

## P.E

The children will have P.E on a **Thursday**. Children should keep a gym kit in school: t-shirt, shorts & gym shoes (no football strips please).

## Numeracy & Maths

The children will continue to follow M.U.M.P (Midlothian Understanding Mathematics Programme), building on from their work in Primary 4. They will extend their knowledge of basic facts and develop skills in using a range of strategies for calculations. We will have a focus on Times Tables and children are encouraged to practise these at home. We will also be working on Fractions and Money this term..

## Literacy

We will be using a Literacy Team format across P5 & P6 whereby learners are set by ability. These groupings are flexible and will change throughout the year. Writing will take place in our own classes.

## Twitter

To share in your child's journey please follow us on twitter:  
@woodburnps

## Top tips:

- Label everything!
- Bring a water bottle & a snack
- Encourage reading for pleasure
- Talk to your child at home about their learning

## Dates for the diary

- Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November – Dyslexia Awareness Assembly – please wear blue to school!
- Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November - Parent Involvement – Vison, Values & Aims
- Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December – School Winter Fair
- Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December 9am - Shared Learning in P5M/P – please come and help us make Xmas Crafts!
- Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December – School Christmas Lunch
- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December - P4-7 Pantomime, Musselburgh
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Christmas Jumper Day
- Christmas Break – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December to Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January

## Queries or concerns

Please catch Mrs Melvin or Mrs de la Rosa at the end of the day for a quick chat, send in a note, or make an appointment at the school office.