

P7T January Newsletter

Welcome back! I hope you have all enjoyed your Christmas break. As always, we have a very busy term ahead and I can't wait to get stuck in. Here's a break-down of what to expect for the up-coming weeks. Any questions...just come and ask. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

October-December Highlights

These are some of the highlights of last term:

- * Performing our play scripts to all classes as an enterprise project. The children worked extremely hard to raise funds and in total, managed to raise £126.47 towards their end of term trip
- * Playmaker training
- * Basketball/football tournaments.
- * Monster Mash
- * Norwegian visitors
- * Christmas Fair
- * Shared Learning - Problem solving
- * Pantomime
- * Primary 7 disco

Topics

We will focus on science and technology this term and create opportunities for a more in depth study of 'The water cycle, 'Solids, Liquids and gases', 'Weather' and 'Space'.

Science Skills:

- Observing
- Pattern seeking
- Fair Testing
- Identifying and classifying
- Research



Computer Science:

We will work on coding and learning about different components of a computer. We will also learn about formats for saving work and sending information via email/twitter.

Literacy and English

We will be reading 'Kensuke's Kingdom' by Michael Morpurgo. This novel is an adventure story and will link to work we will do in class on imaginative writing.

During reading sessions, we will focus on the reading detective skills below and also continue work on fact/opinion and making inferences.



- Question Master
- Writer's Tricks

In our writing, we will focus on different openers for imaginative stories and the use of dialogue to help engage the reader.

Children will experience listening to and writing some poetry including the use of Scots language.

We will also work on developing our skills in note taking while we read and listen to text.

This term Primary 7 will have the following specialist teachers:

Mrs Callaghan: Music - Thursdays

Miss Welsh: Art - Mondays

Mrs Power: P.E - Wednesday

Numeracy and Maths

In Maths we will focus on:

- Coordinates
- Symmetry
- Scale
- Time



We will also continue to work on developing the children's problem solving skills using a range of strategies to show transfer of knowledge and understanding.

Children will also continue to increase their knowledge of basic numeracy facts by playing a variety of games that allow them to practise these skills and increase their speed of recall.

Upcoming Events

- Parent/Carer Consultations - 28.01.20/29.01.20
- February break - 10.02.20-14.02.20
- P.E activities at DHS
- STEM visit to Edinburgh college
- Playmaker duties
- Feel good February
- Sporting events

Ways you can support your child's learning by encouraging them to:

- practise tables and the inverse relationship between multiplication and division
- look at fractions, decimals and percentages
- research/read information on developments in science
- read a selection of books for understanding and pleasure

To share in your child's learning journey please keep in touch by following us on twitter. @woodburnps

