



Learning and teaching is designed around the eight curricular areas of the *Curriculum for Excellence*. This term, our foci include...



Literacy and English

This term in Literacy, Primary 7 will be focusing on comprehension skills, and reading for understanding using a class novel *Tom's Midnight Garden*.

Writing lessons will consist of using our new whole school approach Talk 4 Writing. We will start with story mapping *The Boy and the Tiger*. Additionally, we will work on creating suspense in writing and making clear arguments linked to our Global Goals topic. Primary 7's will also be writing letters to Glasgow City Council about recycling and other environmental issues.

Spelling will be incorporated into the children's weekly homework. Please encourage your child to learn their weekly spelling words.

Numeracy and mathematics

Primary 7 will continue to extend and consolidate their knowledge of the four operations (add, subtract, multiply and divide) within and using decimal numbers to one decimal place.

We will be looking at compass directions, angles, converting units of length (metres, centimetres, and millimetres) and shape.

Expressive arts

Linked to our Global Goals topic, Primary 7 will be set a design challenge to create a model out of plastic bottles to convey an important message about our planet.

Additionally, Primary 7 will practise and refine their dance skills in groups and individually.

Social Subjects

In social Studies, Primary 7 will debate the environmental impact of human activity and suggest ways in which we can live in a more environmentally friendly way.

Health and wellbeing

Primary 7 will be focusing on striking and fielding games on Tuesdays and Dance on Thursdays. Health Week will take place in October, and we will be looking at issues such as lifestyle choices, road safety, oral health, healthy diets and internet safety.

Reminder: PE days are Tuesday and Thursday. Please remember to pack gym kits and water bottles. *Please note:* As per Glasgow City Council policy, football strips, from **any** team, must not be worn at school. The wearing of jewellery should also be avoided and pierced earrings should be removed.

Religious and moral education

Primary 7 will use this term to re-examine the school values, Golden Rules, Respect, Rights and Responsibilities, and in doing so, will establish a Class Charter.

Assemblies held by our HT and DHTs throughout the year address many aspects of cultural and religious significance.

Science

In term 1, Primary 7 will be looking at topical science in the news. Additionally, Primary 7 will explore changes in substances by carrying out investigations to describe their characteristics.

Technologies

In Primary 7, internet safety will be revisited and the children will learn about the development of technology. In addition to this, throughout our topic, Primary 7 will analyse advances in technology and make suggestions about how we can live in a more sustainable way.

Homework

Homework will be given out on a Monday and is due back on Friday.



Dates for your diary:

w/b 10th September: Sumdog Maths Week

w/b 10th September: Global Citizenship Week

Fri 21st Sept / Mon 24th Sept: Holiday Weekend

w/b 1st October: Health Week

Fri 12th Oct: Inservice Day (school closed to pupils)

Mon 15th – Fri 19th Oct: Holiday

Mon 22nd Oct: Start of Term 2