



Wrap up warm, and stay safe when you're out and about!



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



Literacy and English

While we will begin to use the *Literacy World* scheme to help with our reading this term, we will also be studying *The Worst Witch* by Jill Murphy. We will continue to use the *Super Six* reading strategies.

In Big Writing we will be focusing on imaginative writing and working at improving openers in our sentences.

We will be using a variety of written and active strategies in class and at home to enhance our spelling skills.

Numeracy and mathematics

We will be focusing on the importance of place value in numeracy work. We will be learning to round numbers to the nearest ten and hundred. We will continue to practice addition and subtraction skills.

In *Beyond Number* we will be working on estimation and measurement this term.

Expressive arts

In art this term we will be working on drawing portraits and creating collages.

In music we will be appraising pieces of music from a variety of genres.

Science

We will be studying the water cycle this term. We will be making links between the water cycle, weather and climate.

Health and wellbeing

During the first part of this term, we focussed on firework safety lessons.

Using *BounceBack* as a resource, we will be studying the importance of identifying our emotions and knowing how to deal with them.

Reminder: PE days will be on a Tuesday and Thursday. Please remember to pack gym kits and water bottles. Jewellery should not be worn on these days.

This term, a block of swimming lessons will begin for P5, with the boys going first, and the girls going after Christmas. A separate letter has been issued with full details.

Religious and moral education

We spent time reflecting on the importance of Remembrance Day and what it means.

Later in the term, we will be looking at places and ways of worship, then exploring Christian beliefs during Advent.

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

Technologies

We will be using technology to enhance our researching skills, both in school and at home, finding out about weather and climate.

We will also be using a variety of digital resources to enhance our learning across literacy and numeracy.



Dates for your diary:

23rd November: Winter Fair

12th and 14th December: Nativity performances

20th December: Christmas parties

20th Dec: School closes at 14:30

Thu 21st Dec – Wed 3rd Jan: Holiday

4th Jan: Start of Term 3