Dunard Primary School

Primary 7/6 Newsletter

Term One





We hope you all had a marvelous summer, and are ready for an exciting year ahead!



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



Literacy and English

In Term 1, P7/6 will be reading *Adolphus Tips* by Michael Morpurgo. We will use this novel to develop the *Super 6* reading strategies, and create and answer questions using our Higher Order Thinking Skills.

P7/6 will complete a series of *Big Writing* lessons, with a focus on non-fiction texts based around our World War 2 topic.

P7/6 are being encouraged to set good standards throughout the school for talking and listening. We are also learning to take and use notes appropriately within our topic and novel study.

Numeracy and mathematics

Primary 7/6 will continue to extend and consolidate their knowledge of the four operations (add, subtract, multiply and divide).

P6 are using their knowledge of number bonds, and using various methods to solve problems. P7 will work together to solve one and two step real life problems.

P7/6 will be looking at shape properties, using formulas to find the area and perimeter of quadrilaterals (P6) and right angled triangles (P7).

Expressive arts

Art and Design will be inspired by our WW2 topic and class novel study. Children will use various techniques such as line, colour, tone, paint and oil pastels.

Mr Stevenson will continue to progress learning in Music and Drama.

Health and wellbeing

This term, the PE focus will be on group games, working together and understanding the importance of following rules.

Please remember to provide a PE kit which can be left in class. PE will be on Tuesday and Friday.

Health Week will take place in October. We will be looking at issues such as lifestyle choices, healthy diets, exercise and internet safety.

Religious and moral education

P6 will undertake Glasgow City Council's antiracism lessons. We will also re-examine our school values and Golden Rules, and explore respect, rights and responsibilities.

P7 will work closely with pupils from St Charles Primary this term during *Sense Over Sectarianism* lessons.

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

Science

Topical Science will be our focus this term. We will investigate discoveries surrounding antibiotics.

Social subjects

We are focusing on the Second World War for our first block of learning. We will be researching and discussing key events and people in the timeline, linking its history with literacy, geography, art and design, and health and wellbeing.

Technologies

P6 will use the ICT suite to develop our Word and PowerPoint skills, and our ability to research online.

Inter-disciplinary design challenges will be given surrounding our World War 2 topic.



Dates for your diary:

w/b 5th September: Global Citizenship Week Fri 22nd Sept / Mon 25th Sept: Holiday Weekend

w/b 2nd October: Health Week

Fri 13th Oct: Inservice Day (school closed to pupils)

Mon 16th – Fri 20th Oct: Holiday Week

Mon 24th Oct: Start of Term 2