# **Dunard Primary School**

# **Primary 3 Newsletter**

Term Four

April - June 2018

## Summer is coming...









Enjoy the longer days, lighter evenings and (hopefully!) better weather!



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



### **Literacy and English**

Reading – using Super Six Reading strategies to deepen understanding of a novel/s. Pumpkin Soup or Fantastic Mr Fox by R Dahl and The Hodhedge by DK Smith

Writing – Using our new Talk 4 Writing Program we will be learning, innovating and inventing creative stories. We will also be looking at poetry.

Talking and listening – class /group discussion, prepare and present a One Minute Talk on a Woodland creature of their choice.

Spelling – spelling patterns focus, grammar and punctuation.

### **Numeracy and mathematics**

Number – continuing our work on times tables (2-9); chimney sums with some carrying and place value work.

Beyond number – 2D shape properties sorting, finding ¼ of a number, area and perimeter.

#### **Expressive arts**

Art – pupils will develop modeling, painting, collage, line drawing and printing skills through a Woodland context.

Dance: street and hip hop (see PE)

Music – YMI fortnightly visits from our tutor Miss Graeme, games and rhymes to aid beat /rhythm.

### Health and wellbeing

Health focus: Animal health and conservation.

In PE we will be focusing on Racket and ball skills and Dance. PE days this term are Monday and Thursday. Please remember 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 on PE days.

#### **Religious and moral education**

RME focus: Islam.

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

#### Science

Planet Earth – pupils will be learning about characteristics of Living and Non –living things, simple food chains and Plants requirements for life

#### Social subjects

Woodlands topic is our focus and we will be looking at man's influence on these areas and how to conserve them.

## **Technologies**

Digital literacy – pupils will using a search engine to identify/research Woodland animals and plants

Engineering / craft and design – as part of their woodlands research project they will be making a woodland creatures home.

Dates for your diary:

7<sup>th</sup> May May Day holiday 8<sup>th</sup> May In-service Day 25<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> May Midterm break

11<sup>th</sup> June Sports Day

26<sup>th</sup> June End of term! (finish at **13:00**)

15<sup>th</sup> Aug Pupils return