Dunard Primary School

Primary 4 Newsletter

Term Two

October - December





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

This term, our class novel is *The Worst Witch* and we will also read *Antarctic Adventures* as part of our topic. We will answer comprehension questions based on both texts and use the Super Six reading strategies to deepen our understanding.

As part of Talk For Writing this term, we will write instructions and non-chronological reports. We will also do a fiction piece focused on describing a character. The class will also learn to use bossy verbs and adverbs.

P4 will have weekly spelling activities and a spelling test on Fridays.

As part of our topic about Climate Change and the Polar Lands, we will learn parts for our class assembly and build talking and listening skills by performing in front of others.

Numeracy and mathematics

We will focus on addition, subtraction and multiplication this term. We will also learn about data handling, 2D and 3D shapes, and symmetry.

Expressive arts

P4 will hold a class assembly for parents and carers on Friday the 30th November to showcase the learning from our topic. We will focus on singing this term by learning a song for our assembly. We will also use a range of media such as charcoal, chalk and paint to create artwork inspired by the polar lands.

Social Subjects

This term, P4 will be learning about different climate zones and the effect of global warming. In particular, we will focus on the polar lands.



Dates for your diary:

30th November: Winter Fair

11th and 13th December: Nativity performances

20th December: Christmas parties

Health and wellbeing

P4 will be learning about the different food groups, healthy eating, as well as food hygiene. We will also focus on building friendships and maintaining relationships.

This term, the PE focus will be gymnastics. Please remember to provide a PE kit which can be left in class. PE days this term are Monday and Thursday.

Religious and moral education

This term, we will be learning about Christmas traditions around the world.

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

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.

Technologies

P4 will identify ways in which energy can be saved and consider how materials and resources are wasted as part of our topic. We will also focus on typing skills and create graphs as part of our learning about data handling.

Science

We will look at different sources of energy and how humans contribute to global warming.

Homework

Homework will be given out on Mondays and all tasks are due on Friday. This will consist of a spelling and maths task. Some weeks there may also be grammar or a task linked to our topic.

20th Dec: School closes at 14:30 Fri 21st Dec – Fri 4th Jan: Holiday

7th Jan: Start of Term 3