



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

To coincide with our class topic of *Chocolate*, the class will be studying the Roald Dahl classic *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* alongside their additional reading for enjoyment.

The children will be examining formal and functional writing this term and will be looking at the effects of persuasive writing. They will then use their persuasive styles to present advertising campaigns as well as functional writing to create recipes.

Weekly spelling words will continue to be part of the children's homework.

Numeracy and mathematics

The children will continue to investigate multiplication and division strategies in real life scenarios.

We will also be examining time, using 12 and 24 hour clocks, as well as counting down towards the New Year using calendars.

Expressive arts

Art and design

Art will be linked to the class's 'Chocolate' topic and different painting techniques will be studied. Remembrance Day and Christmas themes will also be prevalent.

Drama

During drama lessons, we will focus on characterisation, basing our learning around the class novel, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*.

Music

Music focus this term will allow the children to explore different parts of an orchestra and the roles each instrument plays. Tempo and effect will also be discussed.

Health and wellbeing

This term, the PE focus will be on invasion games, particularly movement and teamwork. The girls will also start their swimming block on Thursday 29th November

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, the children will be focusing on Remembrance Day, as well as the Nativity story. We will also explore the significance of Christmas to Christians, and those of other faiths. Assemblies held by our DHTs throughout the year address many aspects of cultural and religious significance.

Technologies

Leading on from last term, the children will be using the iPads to film short Lego movies based on a 'volcanic disaster' adding animation and voices.

Science

P5 will be examining temperatures as part of this term's topic, as well as the changes in the weather. We will be examining the impact changing temperatures have on objects and living things. This will focus on melting and freezing points.

Homework

Homework will continue to be given out to the children on a Monday morning and be collected on a Friday. This will consist of a maths task, a spelling task and one or two topic or news related task. This is to allow for any support to be given as the week progresses.



Dates for your diary:

30th November: Winter Fair

11th and 13th December: Nativity performances

20th December: Christmas parties

20th Dec: School closes at 14:30

Fri 21st Dec – Fri 4th Jan: Holiday

7th Jan: Start of Term 3