

# Primary 6 Newsletter

Term Two

October - December



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



## Literacy and English

Primary 6 will be reading Michael Morpurgo's 'Kensuke's Kingdom' as a class. We will focus on creating questions relating to *higher order thinking skills* as comprehension, and will be using the 'Super Six' reading skills.

Primary 6 will continue using the 'Talk for Writing' model to enhance their writing skills. This model has been well received by pupils and using this approach, we will explore creating character and setting.

P6 will develop their talking and listening skills this term by preparing presentations on the knowledge gained from their Victorians topic.

## Numeracy and mathematics

Primary 6 will focus on fractions during this term. We will compare, order and simplify fractions, find equivalent fractions, find a fraction of an amount and convert fractions to decimals.

The four operations (+, -, x and ÷) will be revisited throughout the term to keep these skills sharp, with an emphasis on layout and methodology.

## Expressive arts

P6 will use their Victorians topic and class novel as inspiration for both Drama and Art and Design. The class will focus on enhancing their artistic skills using techniques such as line, colour and tone.

P6 will use Charanga to develop their singing talents in music.



### Dates for your diary:

30<sup>th</sup> November: Winter Fair

11<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> December: Nativity performances

20<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas parties

The nights are fair drawing in....



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



## Health and wellbeing

This term, the PE focus will be on team work games and racket skills. Please remember to provide a PE kit which can be left in class. PE days this term are Tuesday and Thursday.

P6 will also focus on how to keep themselves and others safe and how to respond in a range of emergency situations.

## Religious and moral education

Seasonal festivals including The Christmas Story will be studied this term.

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

## Technologies

P6 will use the ICT suite to develop their IT skills. ICT will also be used to enhance learning across the curriculum, with continued use of SumDog to boost maths skills, and our iPads to engage learners in digital learning.

## Social Studies

This term P6 will study the Victorian era to build a picture of Scotland's heritage and discover how past events have shaped Scottish society today. They will also learn to use primary and secondary sources to research events in the past.

## Science

Primary 6 will be embarking on an exploration of electricity. They will be looking at topics including electrical safety, renewable and non-renewable energy and circuits.

## Homework

Homework will be issued on a Monday and is due on a Friday.

20<sup>th</sup> Dec: School closes at 14:30

Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Dec – Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Jan: Holiday

7<sup>th</sup> Jan: Start of Term 3