

Mauricewood Primary School



It has been lovely to welcome P3 into school. They have made a super start and are enjoying exploring new learning and play opportunities in the classroom and Sycamore block. Time has been spent getting to know one another and welcoming new members to the class.



Literacy

The children enjoyed our short novel study 'The Twits', focussing on character and plot. Reading books have now been given out. Children will have reading homework 2/3 x per week and will be heard by both teachers. The reading focus this term will be to develop word attack skills, which will help with fluency when reading aloud. Spelling words will also be sent home on a weekly basis. In Talk for Writing, we will be learning the story of 'The Papaya that Spoke' and 'Room on the Broom'. We will focus on character and description as the children write their own version of an imaginative tale and a chronological report.

Numeracy and Maths

We will continue with place value, sequencing numbers, addition and subtraction and multiplication. This will involve written work, practical activities, games and ICT. In maths, children will be working on shape, position and movement where we will be using our new Chromebooks and programmable robots. We will also be practising mental strategies for a variety of calculations and tackling problem solving questions, where the children will use reasoning skills. Practice of number bonds and counting in 2s, 5s, 10s etc is always helpful!

Learning in other areas of the curriculum

We were very excited to receive our Chromebooks and will be learning how to use them safely, as well as logging in and accessing google classroom etc. Our topic is Farming, where we will explore the variety of foods produced in Scotland. In Science we will be learning about different types of renewable and non-renewable energy and building and testing electrical circuits. In Art we will be exploring drawing and painting; experimenting with line, colour and shape. Pupil ideas of what and how they would like to learn will be incorporated into topics.

Health & Wellbeing

P.E. days - Wednesday and Thursday. Please send your child dressed in their PE kit. The children have been learning more about 'growth mindset' and how mistakes help us to learn! We will also be developing our understanding of emotions and how the 'Zones of Regulation' help us to manage our feelings so that we can be in the green zone - ready to learn! UNCRC- The children have been learning about their Rights. They have considered and agreed upon which of the Rights are most meaningful to them and have created class a charter to demonstrate this.

Other Information

Monday + Tuesday - Mrs McClelland
Wednesday + Thursday - Mrs Lee
Alternate Fridays with both teachers.
Each day the class will focus on a particular aspect of our school rules. Ticks will be added to the 'Recognition Board' as children demonstrate trying hard to show this rule. A simple class treat will be awarded when we meet our daily target. Please encourage your child to bring a bottle of water to school each day. Do keep an eye on SeeSaw for updates on your child's learning. As well as that, from time to time, some games and other home activities may be posted on Google Classroom.

Thank you for your support and if you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to contact us. Kind regards, Mrs McClelland and Mrs Lee.