

Mauricewood Primary School



Welcome to P4

The children are settling into P4 and are enjoying getting back into routines. They have enjoyed learning about Children's Rights over the last few weeks through a whole school focus.

Literacy

The children are working to improve their skills when reading aloud, including using word attack skills to read with fluency in their groups. They are also developing their knowledge of different types of questions. As a class they are learning which strategies to use to work out the meaning of an unfamiliar word. In Writing, they will be looking at descriptive writing, including character descriptions linked to our class novel; 'How to Train Your Draaon'.

Numeracy/Maths

The class will continue with place value, number sequences, fractions/addition/subtraction and multiplication/division where they will be practising mental strategies for a variety of calculations and tackling problem solving questions using reasoning skills. Numeracy will involve written work, practical activities, games and ICT. In Maths, the children will be investigating probability.

Learning in other areas of the curriculum.

Our topic is Climate Zones and Natural Habitats. This will involve the children investigating the different climate zones on our planet and finding out how the climate and physical features influence the variety of living things in a particular place. In Art, we are using our Dragon theme as a stimulus to create a variety of images using different media with a focus on shape, form and texture. We also have the benefit of Mrs. Pryde who is currently teaching R.M.E. Tuesday related to the United Nations Convention of the Rights of the Child.

Health & Wellbeing

This term we have started by looking at the brain and Growth and Fixed Mindsets. The children will explore how a Growth Mindset is beneficial to their learning. They have also been reminded of the Learning Zones as the language surrounding this becomes more embedded in our classroom. Mrs. Mckendrick is taking P4 every Wednesday morning for P.E. sessions with a focus on hockey, I will be reinforcing this lesson on a Friday. Please ensure that your child is wearing clothes suitable for indoor/outdoor P.E..

Other Information

The children will have reading homework every week. Please ensure the reading diary is signed, thank you.

Each week the class will focus on a particular aspect of our school rules. Ticks will be added to the Recognition Board if children have demonstrated making an effort with our focus.

Please encourage your child to bring a bottle of water to school each day. Remember to check out your child's learning on Seesaw.

I look forward to working together with you to support your child's learning throughout the year.

Cheryl Nemeč

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