

Numeracy

This term in numeracy we will endeavour to learn how to multiply numbers using the box method. We will then attempt to divide using a written method too! We aim to dip our toe into the world of algebra for the first time! Exciting times for Primary P5/6 in numeracy and Maths!

Literacy

In Primary 5/6 we will follow the Upper School Reading Skills progression to further improve our skills in reading. Accelerated Reading will also make up a very important element of reading as a whole in Primary 5/6., you can support with this by encouraging all learners to read as much as possible at home. Later in the session we will be following the RWI Spelling program but will be following the SWST program at present to support us with our spelling. We will continue to use BIG Writing to build our confidence and skills in writing.

Achievement Book

This year in Primary 5/6 we will have an achievement book in class. This is a place to catalogue all of our classes achievements throughout the year. This is for our learners and our families in school AND out of school achievements. Please feel free to send in any photos or stories of how any member of our class has made an achievement through the year. You can do so by bringing any photos into school or posting any photos or stories on Seesaw.

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P5/6 Newsletter



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Newsletter 1

August/September 2021

Welcome Back!

I hope that everyone had a wonderful summer! It's great to be back! It's my aim that working together, P5/6 can be a brilliant year of achievement for every pupil in the class.

Things to Keep in Mind

In P5/6 we have our start and finish times of 8:45 and 3:15. I will pick the class up from our line in the upper school playground and dismiss them from there every afternoon. We have break at 10.30 and lunch at 12.30 every day. On Fridays we finish up at 12noon. We've already had a really strong start to the year and are all settling in great in P5/6.

We are fortunate to have Miss Stamp on Monday afternoon for P.E / Tech. I (Mr. Jackson) will have another P.E session on Tuesday afternoons. For the meantime until the Covid 19 restrictions ease up further, we will do P.E in the clothes we come to school in to limit what we bring in and out of the school building. Feel free to come to school in comfortable clothes on Monday and Tuesday so you can take part fully in the P.E lessons. Please come equipped for all weathers as we plan to be outside daily, not only during break and lunches but in the afternoon to take part in our Daily Mile.

Dates for your Diary – Term 1

Maths Week Scotland – Monday 27th September
Autumn holiday: Monday 20th September 2021
Midterm break: All break: Friday 15th October 2021
Pupils return: Tuesday 26th October 2021

Class Behaviour Expectations

In P5/6, we agreed on some classroom rules that we think will help everybody to learn and be happy this year. Together, we then signed a class contract to ensure we stick to them. We still have our classroom behavior chart and have agreed on shared expectations for in the classroom, the playground and when out and about around the school.

Rewarding Positive Behaviour

Across the whole school we have a behaviour chart. Pupils will get moved up the chart for following the class rules, approaching learning positively and being helpful.

If a pupil gets to the top of the chart I will ask them at the end of the day what is they think they did so brilliantly that day. I will summarise this discussion on a certificate so that it is clear to people at home what it is that they have done to be praised.

Home-School Communication & Seesaw

If you have any concerns about your child, learning , homework or anything else, please do not hesitate to get in contact. I will be available to contact via the office phone. If I have any concerns about wellbeing or if there was an incident in the day that I think you should be aware of I will get in contact with you at the end of the school day by phone call.

If there are any ongoing behavior issues or if I am particularly impressed with a pupils attitude to school and learning I will also get in contact via a certificate home.

Homework

Homework will begin on Monday 6th September and will be set on Seesaw. The numeracy element will be linked to our Basic Facts program and a literacy element will be linked to our Spelling programme.

All learners in Primary 5/6 will be familiar with each, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

B.O.A.T.S. (Bring Our Adults to School)

Throughout the year we have sessions when you can come into class and see how P5/6 learn. It is an opportunity for the class to showcase what is they have been learning. I will be in contact with a specific date and time sooner to the date. We are unsure at present how these will work but will be in contact when we have a solution that keeps us all safe in the current climate.