



PRIMARY 6 NEWSLETTER - TERM 4



ENGLISH AND LITERACY

This term your child will be focusing on:

- Creating writing inspired by our Very Important Bear topic including: persuasive writing, flowchart, functional writing, imaginative and personal in a variety of texts.
- In groups pupils will be writing their own playscripts for their movies.
- Prefixes and suffixes
- Grammar and punctuation (main focus this term)
- Practising their handwriting and presentation skills.
- Looking in depth at authors writing style.
- Gathering news article that portray the importance of film and the role the media plays.
- Discussing and analysing books that have been developed into movies.
- Playscripts and discussing features of their structure.
- Extending their tools for reading a range of non-fiction texts, including using the Internet, to research information about our class topic.

NUMERACY AND MATHS

This term your child will be:

- Continuing to develop their knowledge of number:
 - Working with a range of numbers of 5 digits and beyond
 - Understanding negative numbers and their use
 - Multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000
 - Creating sets of multiples and common multiples between tables
 - Explaining and using tests of divisibility
 - Working out factor pairs and prime numbers
 - Changing order of numbers in a calculation using brackets
- Continuing to develop their knowledge of measure:
 - Learning conversions in length, weight and volume
 - Using formulas to calculate the area and perimeter of shapes
- Continuing to develop their use of mental maths strategies (Stockbridge Counts)

HEALTH AND WELLBEING



P.E. lessons will be taught every Tuesday and Thursday. Please ensure that your child brings full PE kit each week. The focus will be athletics and striking and fielding games. Please check homework weekly for additional sporting events.

The health and wellbeing focus for this term will be 'Respecting Myself' taken from the Resilience whole school programme. The class will also be focusing on personal safety which will be explored through the Keeping Myself Safe programme.

SCIENCE

We will be learning about the Solar System. We will be observing and researching features of our solar system. The class will be investigating the orbiting of the Sun, Moon and Earth. We will be exploring the Solar System in terms of Earth, planets and the Sun and am developing an understanding of its size and scale. Primary 6 have their Generation Science workshop on Wednesday 17th May.

ICT

Primary 6 will continue to develop their ICT skills in a variety of ways.

- Producing and editing movie
- Capturing and editing digital photographs
- Recording jingles using GarageBand
- Researching using the Internet for challenges
- Experimenting with ICT changing colour of their graphics, shape, font
- Creating sets for movies

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDY

Our topic this term is The Very Important Bear. In support of the principles of Curriculum for Excellence, this topic will be used to stimulate work in other curriculum areas. Rocky the Bear has come from Los Angeles as he is desperate to become a film star. Primary 6 are going to help him become famous! In class, we will be researching the history of film and film-making. The class will investigate, design and present movies using different technologies starring Rocky. We will be exploring how film has contributed to our society, Scotland and the rest of the world and using ICT to access and use a variety of information.

Our big questions for our topic

- How are movies planned/ made and distributed?
- How have movies developed from silent film to present day?
- What are some of the iconic/ influential movies and why are they so important?
- Who are some of the iconic/ influential actors?
- What is the history of going to the pictures in Scotland?

HOMEWORK

Homework tasks will be given out on a Tuesday to be completed in the Home Learning Journals and handed in on a Monday. Please check and sign your child's homework jotter.

Pupils should bring a pencil case, with sharpened pencils to class each day.

Miss Green ☺

