





<p>In LITERACY this term we are learning to...</p> <p><u>Writing Focus</u> Writing inspired by our Europe topic, with a focus on informative / persuasive texts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use knowledge of V COP- (Vocabulary, Connectives, Openers & Punctuation) to improve their writing. Key focus on correct use of punctuation this term. • Use spelling programmes and reflections of their own work to improve their spelling. • Assess our own writing and edit work using knowledge of different texts and genres of writing. • Practice handwriting and presentation skills. • Discuss characterisation, setting and underlying themes during group reading sessions. • Use non-fiction texts to research our topic, take notes and create our own information texts. • Read for information and use our own words to demonstrate our knowledge. • Develop presentation skills and ability to explain ideas in detail (in group tasks and in preparation for European food fair event). 	<p>In NUMERACY AND MATHEMATICS we are learning to...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manipulate numbers with 5 or more digits. • Work with negative numbers. • Multiply and divide by 1000. • Develop our understanding of common multiples, factor pairs and primes. • Use brackets to partition and re-order numbers in a calculation. • Tell the time on 24 hour digital clocks. • Interpret timetables to calculate durations of time. • Design and interpret questionnaires. • Create databases and line graphs.  <p>Our Stockbridge Counts focus is...</p> <p>Counting forwards and backwards and counting in multiples.</p>	<p>In HEALTH AND WELLBEING ...</p> <p>P.E. lessons will be taught on Mondays and Tuesdays. The main focus of these lessons will be invasion games. Please ensure that you bring full PE kit each week. During September, the class will also be taking part in a four week block of rugby delivered by BATs. This will take place on Thursday afternoons on the grass pitches at Raeburn Place. As part of the Building Resilience programme we will be learning about 'Challenging our Mindset'. In this unit we will learn...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who we are and what we are good at is not fixed • The way we think, feel or learn shapes our brain • I can change through the choices I make. 
<p>Our INTERDISCIPLINARY LEARNING TOPIC this term is...</p> <p>Our topic this term is Europe.</p> <p>By the end of the term your child will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compare the lifestyle and culture of citizens in European countries. • Locate European countries on a map • Discuss Scotland/Britain's political position in Europe <p><u>Links to Other Curricular Areas</u> Art and Design - European artist study using different media while learning about different cultures. Maths - Displaying information in graphs and databases. - Time tables and time zones Food Technology - Plan and make a meal from their chosen European country to share at our food fair (long term homework project).</p>  <p>All parents will be invited to our European Food Fair to celebrate learning. Date to follow shortly.</p> <p>Our SCIENCE TOPIC this term is...</p> <p>Space.</p>	<p>OTHER LEARNING AND WIDER SCHOOL LIFE...</p> <p>We will be working hard to raise money for Mpeni Primary to build 2 classrooms. More information to follow.</p> <p>The class will have the opportunity to work with specialist teachers in French, Mandarin, PE and Music this term.</p> <p>We will be working on building our identity as a class and you will have received a copy of our CLASS CHARTER. Please ensure you read this with your child, sign and return. Thank you.</p> <p><u>Class Trips</u> Monday 28th August - Scottish Chamber Orchestra Concert. Ross Bandstand, Princes Street Gardens.</p> <p>Thursday 14th September - Exploring Antarctica: Ernest Shackleton and the Endurance Expedition. Writing and photography workshop. National Library of Scotland.</p> <p>Monday 25th September - Money Museum.</p> <p>Tuesday 19th September - Mission to Mars. Sky Academy Skills Studio, Livingston. Please return consent forms ASAP.</p>	<p>OTHER NEWS AND REMINDERS...</p> <p>We warmly welcome Miss Douglas, a student teacher from Edinburgh University, who will be working with Primary 6 until February.</p> <p>Please try and encourage your child to complete at least one task from the home learning wall each term (we will go over this at curriculum evening). There will also be a longer piece of topic homework - further information to follow.</p> <p>Pupils should bring a pencil case, with a sharpened pencil and a rubber to class each day.</p> <p>Please check schoolbags for letters, permission slips etc.</p> <p>Please remember to check your child's ONLINE LEARNING JOURNAL regularly and make comments. We are really keen to hear about their wider achievements and you can record these on the Online Journal.</p> <p>I look forward to meeting you at the Curriculum Evening on Thursday 14th September.</p> <p>Miss Green</p> 