

In LITERACY this term we are learning to...

- Play games and write briefly using VCOP- (Vocabulary, Connectives, Openers & Punctuation) to improve our writing.
 - Use our spelling programme and reflections on our own work to improve our spelling.
 - Assess our own writing and edit work using knowledge of different texts and genres of writing.
 - Practice handwriting and presentation skills.
- Write in a variety of genres including leaflet, letter, postcard, diary entry and Writer's Craft.
- Read fiction books and use Blooms Taxonomy to explore the texts and lead group discussions.
 - Use non-fiction texts and ICT to research our topics and create our own information texts.
 - Use a range of strategies to read with understanding and expression.
 - Understand and comment on the structure, characters, setting and message of our group novels.
 - Watch and listen to a variety of texts and extract important information.



In NUMERACY AND MATHEMATICS we are learning to...

- Estimate, measure and compare different quantities in
 - Centimetres, centimetres squared and metres
 - Grams and kilograms
 - Litres and millilitres
- Solve problems involving measures
- Solve problems by looking for a pattern or by the 'guess, check and improve' method.
- Recite and play games with the 2, 5, 10, 3, 4 and 6 times tables.

Our Stockbridge Counts focus is...

Counting forwards and backwards using the stations of the above times tables.



Counting backwards in tens and hundreds from any number below 100. Counting forwards and backwards in halves.

In HEALTH AND WELLBEING ...

P.E. lessons will be taught on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. The main focus of these lessons will be invasion games. Please ensure that you bring full PE kit each week.

As part of the Building Resilience programme we will be learning about 'Challenging our Mindset'. In this unit we will learn...

- 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.

The class will focus on Article 32 of the International Rights of the Child – the right to be protected from harmful work – within their study of Old Edinburgh.



Our INTERDISCIPLINARY LEARNING TOPIC this term is...

Our topic this term is Old and New Edinburgh.. In drama your child will create characters and stories to inspire their writing. In art and design your child will be using different media to create artworks inspired by city buildings. In social studies your child will be looking at maps.

By the end of the term your child will be able to:

- Talk about the similarities and differences between people's lives in Old Edinburgh and today. Focussing on evidence from Gladstone's Land.
- Name and talk about some famous landmarks.
- Know the location of the Old Town.



OTHER LEARNING AND WIDER SCHOOL LIFE...

We will be working hard to raise money for Mpeni Primary to build 2 classrooms. More information to follow.

In our short science project we will be learning about types of energy and creating electric circuits.

The class will have the opportunity to work with specialist teachers in gym, ICT and Art this term.

On the 29th August we will have a whole school visit from M&M Productions who will perform Charlottes Web.

Arrangements are being made for the class to visit the Old Town of Edinburgh. More information to follow.

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.

OTHER NEWS AND REMINDERS..

Please try and encourage your child to complete at least one task from the home learning wall each week. There will also be a longer piece of topic homework. We will go over our new home learning policy at curriculum evening.

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

Please check schoolbags for letters, permission slips etc.

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.

I look forward to meeting you at the Curriculum Evening on Thursday 14th September.

Mrs Fiona Robertson