

In LITERACY this term we are learning to...

- Reading will build on whole word recognition and sounding out to further develop fluency when reading aloud. We will also begin to focus on using expression to show how characters are feeling. Comprehension will be developed through questioning, discussion and independent written tasks using our Highland literacy Programme.
- In writing will produce short texts such as labels and captions through our topic Egyptians. As well as this we will learn how to produce a 'diary extract'. We will begin to look at extending our work with a variety of connectives and interesting vocabulary (adjectives)
- In Literacy we will continue to work on sentence formation and applying learnt spelling and punctuation. We will also focus on CAPITALS at the start of a sentence and with proper nouns.
- Listening skills will be ongoing. We are remembering what excellent looks like!
- Our whole school spelling programme will be followed and begins with revision of our digraphs.
- There will be a BIG focus on presentation skills in handwriting and setting out of work as we learn the expectations set in P3.



In NUMERACY AND MATHEMATICS we are learning to...

Our Stockbridge Counts focus is counting forwards and backwards.

- We will be developing our mental maths strategies using strategies such as building on our number bonds to 10, doubling and halving, counting forwards and backs in 1's, 2's, 5's and 10's.
- We will be talking to explain which strategy I chose to use and why.
- We will record our use of addition and subtraction strategies in our handling data work with graphs, charts and tables.



In HEALTH AND WELLBEING ...

As part of the Building Resilience programme we will be learning about 'You can make a difference'.

- Within this we will learn that we can all make a difference to life at every level whether it's in our own class or in the wider context of our planet.
- P.E. lessons will be on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.
- P3 will be developing basic movement skills as well as gymnastics. We will be looking at competition and cooperation and developing our competencies.
- Please ensure your child has a gym bag with shorts, t-shirt and gym shoes. All labelled!



Our INTERDISCIPLINARY LEARNING TOPIC this term is...

- The Ancient Egyptians

This will allow us to travel back in time to the pharaohs, discovering more about their life, culture and architecture. The project will be explored through a range of cross-curricular activities, including language, maths, art and music. Sadly the museum is not able to provide an exhibition this term due to refurbishment of the area and it's artefacts'. However I'm sure the class will rise to the challenge and find other avenues to research their areas of interest.

There will be a long term homework task linked to our project which will be issued shortly.

We will not be having an exhibition this term as next term we will be doing our topic on India when we would like to invite you in to see our learning. Details to follow next term.

OTHER LEARNING AND WIDER SCHOOL LIFE...

- We will continue to work hard to raise money for Mpeni Primary for two new classrooms.
- The class will have the opportunity to work with our specialist teachers in Music and P.E.
- On Monday the 3rd of September the school will have a visit from M&M productions for a performance of 'The Little Princess'.
- We will be working on our identity as a class and you will receive a copy of our class charter. Please ensure you take the time to read through this with your child emphasising the importance of following this charter to ensure we are all happy, safe and learning in class.
- Once done please sign it at the bottom with your child and return to school in your homework journal.

OTHER NEWS AND REMINDERS..

- Pupils should bring their book bag containing their reading book and home learning journal every day.
- Please try to encourage your child to complete at least one task from the home learning wall each week. There will also be a longer topic piece of work this term to follow later.
- Please check school bags for letters, permission slips etc.
- Please remember to check your child's ONLINE LEARNING JOURNAL regularly to make comments and see their progress. We are keen to hear about their wider achievements and you can record these on the Online Learning journal from home.
- We look forward to seeing you at the Curriculum Evening On Wednesday the 12th of September at 6pm.

Mrs Hagart

