





<p><b>In LITERACY this term we are learning to...</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use knowledge of VCOP- (Vocabulary, Connectives, Openers &amp; Punctuation) to improve our writing. Key focus on correct use of punctuation this term.</li> <li>• Use spelling progression and reflections of our own work to improve our spelling.</li> <li>• Assess our own writing and edit work using knowledge of different texts and genres of writing.</li> <li>• Practise handwriting and presentation skills.</li> <li>• Discuss characterisation, setting and underlying themes during our reading sessions.</li> <li>• Use non-fiction texts to research our topic, take notes and create our own information texts.</li> <li>• Read for information and use our own words to demonstrate our knowledge.</li> <li>• Develop presentation skills and ability to explain ideas in detail (in group tasks and in preparation for our Interrailing around Europe event).</li> </ul>  <p><u>Writing Focus</u> Writing inspired by our Europe topic, with a focus on informative / persuasive texts.</p>	<p><b>In NUMERACY AND MATHEMATICS we are learning to...</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Manipulate numbers with 5 or more digits.</li> <li>• Work with negative numbers.</li> <li>• Multiply and divide by 10, 100 and 1000.</li> <li>• Develop our understanding of common multiples, factor pairs and primes.</li> <li>• Design and interpret questionnaires.</li> <li>• Create databases and line graphs.</li> <li>• Solve problems involving money.</li> <li>• Convert between two currencies.</li> </ul>  <p>Our Stockbridge Counts focus is...</p> <p>Counting forwards and backwards and counting in multiples.</p>	<p><b>In HEALTH AND WELLBEING ...</b></p> <p>In Circle Time we will be identifying our personal strengths and next steps and how we can contribute to our class community. We are learning about ways to support each other when facing difficult situations. We are developing a deeper understanding of this through our class study of "Wonder".</p> <p>P.E. will be on a Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. The main focus of these lessons will be gymnastics and team tactics. Please ensure that you bring full PE kit each week. As part of the Building Resilience programme we will be learning about 'Make a Difference'. In this unit we will learn...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Things humans do have an impact on the world.</li> <li>• Children can contribute to solving problems in the world.</li> <li>• Small things can make a meaningful difference.</li> </ul> 
<p><b>Our INTERDISCIPLINARY LEARNING TOPIC this term is...</b></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"> <li>• Research and investigate current issues in Europe and how it s people's lives.</li> <li>• Compare the lifestyle and culture of citizens in European countries.</li> <li>• Interpret information from different types of maps and recognise the key features that will help us develop our sense of place in the world.</li> </ul> <p><u>Links to Other Curricular Areas</u></p> <p>Art and Design - European artist studies using different media. Maths - Displaying information in graphs and databases, currency conversions. Food Technology - Plan and make a meal from their chosen European country to share at our exhibition (long term homework/class project).</p>  <p>All parents/carers will be invited to our Interrailing with P5/6 event to celebrate learning on the afternoon of Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October.</p>	<p><b>OTHER LEARNING AND WIDER SCHOOL LIFE...</b></p> <p>The class will have the opportunity to work with specialist teachers in French, 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/Visitors</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- P6 to harvest their produce at the Botanic Gardens (30<sup>th</sup> August)</li> <li>- M &amp; M Production of "A Little Princess" (3<sup>rd</sup> September)</li> <li>- Class visit from "The Dogs Trust" charity (6<sup>th</sup> September)</li> <li>- Holyrood Park Outdoor Learning Challenge (19<sup>th</sup> September - details to follow)</li> </ul> <p>Feedback from P1 teachers and SMT about our P6 buddies has been extremely positive. Well done for being such fantastic role models for the P1s. P5s...your turn next year!</p>	<p><b>OTHER NEWS AND REMINDERS...</b></p> <p>Please try and encourage your child to complete at least one task from the Home Learning Wall each week.</p> <p>Pupils should bring pencil case, with a sharpened pencil and rubber to class. Bring a filled up water bottle to school at the start of 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>Parent Consultations will take place on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> and Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October.</p> <p>I am really looking forward to meeting you at the Curriculum Evening on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September at 6pm.</p> <p>Mrs Emily Govan</p> 