

In LITERACY this term we are learning ...

- To continue to improve our writing skills by including VCOB strategies (Vocabulary, Connectives, Openers and Punctuation)
- Developing higher order skills in reading through Highland Literacy with a particular focus on summarizing and predicting.
- Continuing to use dictionaries to expand our knowledge of new vocabulary.
- Practicing our handwriting and presentation skills.
- Continuing to develop responsibility for proof reading and editing our own work using our green polishing pens.



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- Implementing a variety of spelling strategies and activities to ensure we are applying our new spelling words each week into our written tasks.
- To create concise and attractive invitations and instructions for our exhibition on our topic of India.

In NUMERACY AND MATHEMATICS we are learning to...

- 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.
- Identify properties of both 2D and 3D shape.
- Apply a variety of multiplication and division strategies to find a strategy in which best suits our learning style.
- Our Stockbridge Counts focus is... number recognition.
- We will be looking at a variety of ways to identify 2, 3, 4 and larger digit numbers in both numerals and words.
- Ordering 2, 3, 4 and larger digit numbers.



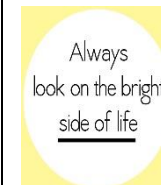
In HEALTH AND WELLBEING ...

P.E. lessons will be taught on Tuesdays by the class teacher and Thursdays by a PE teacher. The main focus of these lessons will be soccer for P3 and Gymnastics for P4.

The main focus of PE will be developing co-ordination, control and balance through different activities and games.

During this term the children will also learn about road safety, with specific focus on 'Street Sense'

As part of the Building Resilience programme, we will be learning about 'Look on the bright side'. In this unit we will learn;



- The way you think can affect the way you feel.
- There are different ways of looking at the same thing.
- Focusing on what you are grateful for can help.

Our INTERDISCIPLINARY LEARNING TOPIC this term is...

Our topic this term is India.

Both Primary 3 and Primary 3 /4 will look at the fascinating country of India. On a weekly basis, lessons will focus on various aspects of the curriculum to ensure a variety of exciting and cooperative tasks are included in the classroom.

Throughout this topic, we will be working with the other Primary 3 class to demonstrate our learning and knowledge of this area.

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

- Identify where India is on a world map, including key facts about Life in India.
- Talk about the similarities and differences between life in India and that of life in Scotland.
- Demonstrate confidence in performing both drama and dance routines inspired by Indian traditions
- Explain the use of spices in Indian cuisine, and how to safely prepare and explore the sensory aspect of Indian cuisine.
- Explain the Indian festival of Lights known as 'Diwali' and its significance within the Hindu religion.

OTHER LEARNING AND WIDER SCHOOL LIFE...

We will be continuing to hear and learn about our cooperation with Mpeni Primary School.

The class will have the opportunity to work with specialist teachers in French and PE this term.

Swimming will continue for P4 students, with group 1 attending each Wednesday morning from 9-9:40am till Christmas and Group 2 starting From January 2019 till March 2019.

Further information of our joint exhibition on India with Primary 3 will be delivered to parents closer to the exhibition date.



OTHER NEWS AND REMINDERS...

Please try and encourage your child to complete at least one task from the home learning wall each term. Can we emphasise once more that presentation is key when students are completing homework. We expect standards to be maintained and encouraged at home as well as in class.

There will also be a longer piece of topic homework delivered to children. Further information to follow in relation to our topic of India.

Please check schoolbags for letters, permission slips etc.

Please remember to check your child's ONLINE LEARNING JOURNAL regularly and make comments. We are keen to hear about their wider achievements and you can record these on the Online Journal.

Miss Dwyer and Mrs. Sinclair