



Primary 6 Newsletter



LITERACY

In writing we will be continuing with our exciting new Talk for Writing approach where we will be exploring different features within fictional writing. This term, in reading, we will be focusing on the core Primary 6 skill, which is 'Inferring'. This is where you look for clues in a passage to answer a variety of questions, demonstrating a deeper understanding of the text. We are also working hard to add increasing detail to our answers to questions by including quotes and supporting evidence. It is important that we continue to read a wide range of books at home for pleasure as this helps to expand our vocabulary.

NUMERACY

Over the last couple of weeks we have been working extremely hard on division and learning our times tables in class. We have learned how to use the standard written method to work out division calculations and also been practising our recall of our times tables using different mental maths games.

Next, we are going to begin a block of learning about money where we will explore terms such as budgets, profit and loss and price comparisons. We will be learning about the importance of using money in everyday life and learn through various real-life contexts.

It is important that the children are still continuing to practice their basic number operations at home, particularly their times tables as these are incorporated into many aspects of maths. We will be setting Sumdog challenges as part of homework some weeks and encourage the children to use the different websites we have used in class e.g. Hit the Button.

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

In P.E. we are currently focusing on aspects of fitness and taking part in circuit activities. We will be monitoring our own individual progress each week using our fitness diaries. Nearing the end of this block, we will have the opportunity to use our new knowledge and skills to create our own 'Fun Fitness Stations' for our peers.

Linking to our P.E. focus, we will be exploring the different food groups required for a healthy lifestyle. This will involve learning about the 'Eatwell Plate' and the dietary requirements of different people.

We are also continuing to refer to our very own class charter with the help of the characters from the SHANARRI family. This term we will focus on SAFE by taking part in First Aid Heart Start training that will enable us to respond in a range of emergency situations.

TOPIC

As we have come to the end of our Victorians topic, it is time to move onto our new Social Studies focus for this term. This term's geography-based topic will allow us to go on a journey around Scotland exploring the physical features of the landscape. We have already identified the different questions we have about our new focus and the aspects of this topic we would like to learn more about, such as, mapping equipment, environmental issues and how features of the land were formed. Throughout this topic we will also be developing our knowledge of the wider world by widening our mental map. Our learning is going to incorporate many areas of the curriculum, including art and design and also ICT as we use our chrome books to carry out some research of our own!

USEFUL TIPS & WEBSITES

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk>

<http://www.doorwayonline.org.uk/>

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