Primary 4 Newsletter

LITERACY

Reading: P4 are enjoying reading a range of 'Literacy World' novels in class in order to improve their oral and written comprehension skills. Children should be encouraged to read these books aloud at home as often as possible. Books are sent home in bags each week- PLEASE remember to bring to school every day. Children still have the opportunity to visit our school library on Monday afternoons if they wish.

Writing: Children are still enjoying our 'Talk for Writing' approach. We have created many exciting stories which we look forward to sharing with you when you come in for our upcoming workshops.

Talking and Listening: P4 are continuing to work on improving their talking and listening skills in small groups and whole class settings.

NUMERACY

Number: Some of the topics we will be covering this term will be:

Multiplication

Children in Primary 4 are working with the 0-12 times tables. We are trying to encourage faster recall of times table facts. We will also be looking at our vertical method of multiplication.

Division/ Fractions

Children are being encouraged to see the link between multiplication and division. We are also looking at the vertical/step method of division. We are revising halves and quarters. We are also developing our knowledge on tenths, fifths and thirds etc.

Beyond Number:

This term we have a few small topics to cover, including:

Money – Calculating money using a £20 note and giving change
Length- measuring with instruments in m, mm and cm and 1/4 metres
Weight- using scales and calculating in grams and mg
Capacity- measuring in litres and ml and doing simple calculations
Data handling- exploring carroll and venn diagrams, bar charts and pictograms

Please encourage your child to use their practical skills at home e.g. using real money, weighing etc.

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Gym Days Mondays and Thursdays: Please remember gym kit on these days and remove all jewellery so children can take part safely each week.

Our focus this term will be on tennis and gymnastics.

TOPIC

P4 are enjoying our new 'Scottish Castles' topic.

The children will be comparing 'castle life' to our present day life. They will be looking at artefacts and determining good sources of evidence.

Children may like to visit the local library to research our new topic.

USEFUL TIPS & WEBSITES

http://www.topmarks.co.uk

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

www.ictgames.com

youtube: cosmic kids yoga