

Newsletter



August - October 2023

Welcome to Primary 4!

This term will be a very busy one so we hope that this newsletter will give you a flavour of the learning taking place.



Numeracy & Maths

This term the main focus for Maths will be shape, position and movement.

In Problem Solving we will be learning to apply strategies such as looking for patterns and finding different ways in order to solve problems.

In Numeracy, we will be looking at place value and working with larger numbers. We will also use this knowledge of place value when adding and subtracting. We will be learning different strategies for Mental Maths through Number Talks.



This term we will have an initial topic focussing on technology through a novel study on "The Wild Robot". We will also be learning how to use TEAMS to support our learning in all areas of the curriculum.

This term our main interdisciplinary learning focus will be Egyptians. This context was chosen by the children. We will be developing our learning about the past while following the children's interests and questions. As well as developing our skills in research through the topic, we will also have the opportunity to develop our learning in ICT, Art, Drama and PE.

Literacy & English

In Reading, we will be working on reading aloud. We will focus on reading with expression, using punctuation in the text to help with this. We will also use clues in the text to decode or work out unknown

In Writing, our focus will be on descriptive writing in fiction and non-fiction texts and writing non-fiction reports linked to our topic. We will concentrate on sentence structure, organisation and the presentation of our writing.

In Grammar and Punctuation we will be revising features of sentences including a variety of punctuation and further building on our knowledge to improve our writing.

We are also going to work hard to improve our spelling. There will be spelling words and tricky words added to the Home Learning for practise at home.

Home Learning will be uploaded to Teams every fortnight.

Health & Wellbeing

Health and Wellbeing lessons will be delivered once a week through the Jigsaw programme. This will give the children opportunities to discuss their achievements and settling in to their new class.

This term in PE we will be working on developing different skills through Outdoor Adventurous Activities including our team work and communication skills. We will also be focussing on Movement in Gymnastics.

Our P.E days will be a Wednesday and Thursday.

Additional Information

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Children should come to school dressed ready to take part in outdoor P.E. They should also be dressed appropriately for outdoor learning on Fridays. Please remember to label all clothing. Home Learning will be issued fortnightly, beginning on 24th August.

If you have any comments, concerns or questions please feel free to contact us through the school office and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

> Thank you, Mrs Messenger, Miss Brown and Mrs Smillie

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