

# Primary 7 Newsletter

**August – October 2024**

We hope you had a wonderful summer break and the children are looking forward to their final year in Primary 7! We hope that this newsletter will give you a flavour of the learning taking place this term.

## **Numeracy & Maths**

In Numeracy, our main focus will be on the four operations and we will be looking at a range of different methods for multiplication and division.

We will continue to revise our times tables daily; we encourage extra practise at home to consolidate our learning using SUMDOG and Active Maths logins. In Maths, we will be looking at data handling, through the context of real life situations. This will help us to develop our organisational and analytical skills. In Problem Solving, we will take part each week in a carousel of written, ICT and practical activities, discussing and using the most effective strategies.



## **Literacy & English**

Our first writing focus will be writing to persuade. We will begin by writing application letters to our new Head Teacher, Mr Cloherty, to persuade him as to why we would be a good candidate to take on a Primary 7 leadership role.

Our next writing focus will be description, where we will be writing detailed descriptions about ourselves, as well as our favourite places. Grammar and punctuation lessons will help us to develop techniques which will be embedded within our daily writing. We will continue to use cursive handwriting during handwriting lessons and in our everyday writing.

## **Interdisciplinary Learning**

Our first IDL theme will be Scottish Parliament. We will be investigating the history of Scottish Politics and how it has shaped our society today. We will also be taking part in creative teamwork challenges to create our own political parties and take part in a series of debates to develop our listening and talking skills.

Our next IDL focus will be 'The Chemistry Lab', where we will be conducting a range of different experiments such as dissolving crystals and chemical reactions. We will then link our experiments with our procedure writing in order to write up the different steps taken and the outcomes.

## **Health & Wellbeing**



Both classes will have PE on a Monday morning (indoor) and Thursday afternoons (outdoor). Our outdoor PE sessions will be based on developing our stamina and fitness levels through our P7 boot camp and our indoor sessions will be themed around gymnastics.

Some P.E will be taking place outdoors (rain or shine!) so please ensure your child is wearing an appropriate P.E kit and **shoes** on these days.

In class, we will be using our school JIGSAW resource to focus on the year ahead, where our first theme will be 'Dreams and Goals'.

## **Additional Information**

- Mrs Welsh will teach reading comprehension and RME across both classes on a Wednesday
- Miss Smillie will teach maths across both classes on a Wednesday
- Mrs Messenger will teach Spanish across both classes on a Wednesday
- Home learning will be issued every fortnight

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

Thanks, Miss Smillie, Mrs Messenger and Mrs Welsh

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