

October - December 2024

We hope that you had a restful Autumn break and the children are feeling refreshed for a busy term ahead!

This newsletter will give you a flavour of the learning taking place this term.

Numeracy & Maths

Our numeracy focus this term will be fractions, decimals and percentages. We will be looking at ordering, simplifying and finding fractions of amounts. We will then progress to converting between fractions, decimals and percentages.

Our maths focus will be 'money', where we will be focusing on budgeting, calculating discounts and converting between different currencies.

In problem-solving, our focus is patterns and relationships where we will continue to work round our carousel of activities using a range of different strategies.



Literacy & English

Our writing focus this term will be narratives. We will start off by creating a spooky story, full of descriptive scenery and imaginative characters! We will be looking to up level our writing using more complex adjectives and adverbs, and also build tension in our stories by describing our five senses.

We will be starting reading group novel studies which the children will plan a block of learning around and present towards the end of term. Each group will create a SWAY to demonstrate their learning which we will share with you!

We also continue to practice our cursive handwriting and spelling daily. Spelling words are sent out with home learning every fortnight.

Interdisciplinary Learning

This term we will be focusing on our Christmas Enterprise — creating a Windyknowe Primary Christmas CD. We are super excited to share this with you and give you the option to purchase at our Christmas Fayre.

We will also be focusing on 'Kindness at Christmas' where we will be thinking about how we can be kind at Christmas time, not just in school, however also towards others in our local community. We will be baking sweet treats and visiting our local businesses with some Christmas surprises.

Both classes will have PE on a Monday (indoor) and Thursday (outdoor). Our outdoor PE sessions will be based on striking and fielding and our indoor sessions will be themed around handball.

Health & Wellbeing

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 and Zones of Regulation to learn about self-regulation strategies.

Additional Information

- Mrs Welsh will teach reading comprehension and RME to 7S on a Wednesday
- Miss Smillie will teach reading comprehension and RME to 7M on a Tuesday
- Miss Lamb will teach outdoor P.E to 7M on a Thursday
- 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, Mrs Welsh and Mrs Smillie