

THE CITY OF EDINBURGH COUNCIL BALGREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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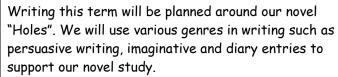
Term Ahead: August October / Primary 7

Dear Parent/Carer,

It has been lovely welcoming everyone back to school after the holidays. They have been enthusiastic in their approach to their learning. We thought we would share with you what we will be working on with them this term.

Literacy and English

For reading, we will be focussing learning using our class novel 'Holes' by Louis Sachar, through reading comprehension tasks. We will also be working on weekly short reading activities using various types of texts, such as leaflets, magazines, letters etc.





Daily, we will be focussing on reading out loud or reading to self, writing, vocabulary and listening. Spelling will concentrate on a range of spelling patterns and rules.

Learning Across the Curriculum

Outdoor Learning and JASS award: We will continue our weekly outdoor learning sessions. This will include pond dipping, creating artwork using natural materials, carving and whittling using tools. We will encourage everyone to complete their 12 hours on the 'My interests' section of JASS at home. We will complete the other 2 sections in school.

RME mini topic: We will be focusing on learning about 6 major religions and we will be creating our own presentations to present in class.

H & W: We will be learning about Zones of Regulation.

Topic - Novel Study: We will be focussing on technology, science and expressive arts this term through our novel study 'Holes'.

French: We will be revising and developing basic vocabulary such as greetings, numbers, food and drink.

Numeracy and Mathematics

We are currently using TeeJay, White Rose Maths and Sumdog to support our numeracy and maths lessons.

New learning will involve multistep addition and subtraction problems, multiplying and diving up to 4-digit numbers by a 2-digit number using formal methods, order of operations, mental calculations and estimation.

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P.E: Will take place on Thursdays with the PE specialist Mr Murray. P7A will be having PE in the morning, while P7B in the afternoon.

Homework: In line with the school homework policy, there will be no assigned weekly homework. We will however provide an optional home learning wall. These will focus on life skills and further support the learning that is taking place in class.

Outdoor Learning: We will have weekly outdoor learning sessions **every Monday**. Please ensure your child comes to school prepared for outdoor learning in all weathers.

Important Dates:

- Trip to Jupiter Artland 21st Sep
- Maths Weeks Scotland workshop in class 29th Sep

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us. Yours sincerely,

Hannah Gaunt & Chrysa Karagianni Class Teachers