

# THE CITY OF EDINBURGH COUNCIL BALGREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# Term Ahead: April - June / Primary 6

Dear Parent/Carer,

Children have been enthusiastic in their approach to their learning in Term 3. We thought we would share with you what we will be working on with them this term.

# Literacy and English

For reading, we will continue to use our class novel "There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom" to develop higher order thinking skills and effective questioning. We plan to use literacy circles again this term and we will continue to encourage daily reading for pleasure in class.



In writing, we are creating newspaper articles, digital presentations and other sharing pieces to showcase learning about events and important people from the

1960s in line with our 'Swinging Sixties' topic. We will focus on the redrafting and editing process this term.

We will use the Sumdog Spelling Programme to support spelling in class.

#### Numeracy and Mathematics

For numeracy, we will continue to use White Rose Maths, Teejay and Sumdog to support our numeracy and maths lessons.

In term 4, our main focus will be fractions, decimals and percentages. Learning will involve decimals as fractions, thousandths, ordering and compering decimals, adding and subtracting decimals and understanding percentages.

We will also continue our topic of calculating area and perimeter through practical activities.

### Learning Across the Curriculum

#### Outdoor Learning, John Muir and JASS award

We will continue outdoor learning through our John Muir and JASS awards. Sessions will include drama and art in nature, pond dipping and planting. We will encourage everyone to complete their 8 hours on the 'My interests' section of JASS at home. We will complete the other 3 sections in school. The 'Get Active' section will be a P6 focus where we'll aim to achieve 8 hours of walking. Completion of all four sections will allow children to achieve their bronze JASS award by the end of P6.

**Health and Wellbeing**: We will be focusing on learning about stereotypes and equality.

**Topic-Swinging Sixties:** We will cover key events, politics, fashion, music, dance, art, games & childhood and technology in the 60s.



#### **Admin**

P.E: Will take place on Thursdays with the PE specialist Mr Murray, alternating between morning and afternoon. (subject to change)

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 learning in class. Children will be expected to take responsibility for developing a skill as part of their JASS award out with school this term.

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, wearing clothes and footwear that can get dirty and wet.

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

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