



Primary 5

Term Ahead: Term 1



Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back to school after what I hope was an enjoyable summer break. I hope that you all had a lovely holiday and are ready for an exciting year ahead. Below are details of what the children will be learning over this term as well as some useful information for the term ahead.

Literacy and English

In reading, we will be focusing on the following skills:

- Choosing and picking appealing books using '**I PICK**'
 - **I** choose a book
 - **P**urpose: Why do I want to read it?
 - **I**nterest: Does it interest me?
 - **C**omprehend: Am I understanding what I'm reading?
 - **K**now: I know most of the words.
- Skimming and scanning,
- Reading with fluency,
- Using dictionary and thesaurus,
- Using iPads to identify words and source information.

In writing, we will focus on letter writing.

Grammar and punctuation will focus on writing properly constructed sentences using ambitious vocabulary, commas, verbs and adjectives. Differentiated spelling will be taken from Nelson's Spelling books.

Numeracy and Mathematics

Throughout the year we will be using White Rose Maths to support our numeracy and maths lessons.

In numeracy, we will be focusing on place value, estimating and rounding.

In maths, we will be focusing on:

Time

- o'clock, half past
- quarter past and quarter to
- time to nearest 5 minutes and minute
- time intervals
- Reading time tables
- 24h time

Measure

- area
- perimeter

Learning Across the Curriculum

Our topic this term is 'Rivers'. We will focus, in particular, on The Water of Leith. This topic will support our work for the John Muir Discover Award, which we hope to earn by the end of this academic year. It will also support our Outdoor Learning work.

Health and Well-Being will focus on developing positive relationships and stereotypes.

Administration

P.E:

P5A: will take place on Mondays and Tuesdays, with the PE specialist.

P5B: will take place on Mondays with the PE specialist. Please ensure children are dressed appropriately so they get the full benefit of the lessons.

Swimming: P5B will attend lessons till 27/10/22.

Outdoor Learning: we will have use of the woods on Wednesdays but may also decide to undertake outdoor work on other days, so please send children to school in suitable shoes and a warm coat.

Homework: There is no obligatory homework but if you would like some ideas for activities to do at home, please refer to our homework wall.

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

Yours sincerely,

Sarah O'Donnell and Cath Galloway

Class Teachers