

# THE CITY OF EDINBURGH COUNCIL BALGREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## Term Ahead: Primary 7 January-April

Dear Parent/Carer,

The table below outlines what we will be working on in primary 7 this term.

## Literacy and English



We will be reading 'Kensuke Kingdom' by Michael Morpurgo as our class novel which will link into literacy learning. Also, we will be learning about myths from around the world. We will use this to create our own myths and write a newspaper article.

Report writing will also be developed this term through STEM where children will create scientific reports.

### Listening and Talking:

Children will have the opportunity to perform a Scots poem or song as well as being involved in class discussions and debates about myths and mythical creatures.

#### Learning Across the Curriculum

Myths Around the World: Learning will include investigating myths and mythical creatures from home countries. We will discuss and compare differences among them. Children will also create our own

myths, mythical create, setting and use drama to tell our stories.

**H&W:** We will be discussing what it means to be transgender, identify types of abuse, and introduce how human life begins with a focus on sex, pregnancy and birth, and the role of a parent/carer.

**STEM:** Learning will include investigation about different forces, friction, buoyancy and units of measure.

Oceans and Seas: As part of this mini topic, we will learning about sustainability, ocean pollution, ocean animals/creatures and living things, glaciers, land findings and world oceans.

## Numeracy and Mathematics

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

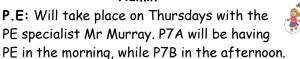
In term 3, we will build on fractions and learn about decimals, percentages and the equivalence of these three concepts.



Additionally, we will introduce algebra focussing on function machines, form expressions, substitution and formulae.

We will continue to use problem solving contexts to deepen learning and further enhance understanding.

#### Admin



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, they must wear a jacket.

#### **Important Dates:**

- Art of Listening Trip -6/7<sup>th</sup> February
- Glow Disco 22nd February
- Parent consultations 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> February
- Red Nose Day 15<sup>th</sup> March
- Risk Factory Trip 19th March
- Tynecastle Transition sports event 20<sup>th</sup> March

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

Hannah Gaunt & Chrysa Karagianni (Class Teachers)