



**P1 – P3 Term 4
2023
Class Newsletter**

Important Days

Monday: Health and Wellbeing with Mrs Charlton and Outdoor Learning with Miss Anderson

Wednesday: Pupil Groups (once per month)

Thursday: PE with Mr Fullarton

Friday: PE with Mrs Scott

Outdoor Learning (Long trousers/leggings, wellies and jackets, remember to apply sun cream before school too)

Literacy

Reading: Children will continue to use their knowledge of phonics and sight words to support their reading. We will be working on expression and fluency while reading.

Spelling/Grammar/Punctuation: Children will continue to practice phoneme sounds and sight words, building their vocabulary. A new sound will be introduced each week, with regular revision of sounds we have learned before. We will be learning about bossy verbs, ordinal numbers/words and time connectives to support our writing of instructions. Later in the term we will explore writing in the third person and present tense, while using formal language when writing a report.

Writing: During writing lessons we will be exploring instructions and the features that are included in them. We will then write our own set of instructions on how to make something. We will apply our knowledge of bossy verbs and time connectives throughout to improve our writing.

Our second writing focus for this term will be a report or fact file, which will link closely to our topic.

Listening and Talking: We are going to be working hard to hear and say different sounds and blends within words, to support our spelling of words. We will also be working on sharing our learning and ideas with a wider audience.

Numeracy

We have begun our Multiplication topic, where children will be creating equal groups, making arrays, spotting patterns while skip counting. We will be using mathematical vocabulary like ‘times’ and ‘equal’. Once confident we will explore the patterns within the 2, 5 and 10 times table and begin to practice these so we are fluent.

We will then explore ‘sharing’ and ‘dividing’. We will do so using concrete materials, such as cubes or Numicon to help develop our confidence and understanding.

Later in the term we will explore Data Handling and Graphs. We will gather information, organise it and then display our findings in a range of ways (tally charts, pictographs and bar charts).

Topic – Vikings

We will be exploring Vikings this term! We will be looking at their homes, clothes and what they ate! We will use maps to identify places in Scotland where Vikings settled and will be creating our very own Viking longboat and shield! We will begin to understand the traditions that are associated with Up Helly Aa.

We will also explore a Norse Viking God and compare them to the Norse Gods we see on TV today (Loki, Odin and Thor). We will be learning that we know so much about the Vikings due to the hard work of archeologists.

Health and Wellbeing

In PE, we will learn striking and fielding games alongside athletics.

We will also be exploring RSHP. This involves looking at friendships, families, hygiene and our bodies.

Find out more at www.rshp.scot

In Expressive Arts we will have the opportunity to choose and explore arrange of media and technologies when creating a model and image. We will also be learning to use the visual elements of line, shape, form, colour, tone, pattern and texture within our Artwork.

We will also be learning to sing and play along to music using a range of musical instruments.

In Technologies we will explore materials and tools to discover what they do and how they can help us construct 3D objects, which may have moving parts.

In RME we will be exploring some of the biblical and Christian stories. Discussing the key values the stories explore.