



Primary 4 Learning Leaflet

Information for Parents

Term 3: Jan - March 2018

Numeracy

We will be continuing addition, subtraction and multiplication of hundreds, tens and units, taking care to set out our work accurately and remembering where to 'exchange' if necessary. We will be introducing division, linking it closely to the multiplication tables.

We will also be working with money, recognising notes and coins up to £20 and working with change up to £10. In Data Handling, we will be learning to find and organise data in a variety of ways.



Literacy

Spelling will be taught through the Active Spelling approach with a spelling sound or rule being focused on each week. Some weeks will feature a set of tricky words. Words are practised in class and reinforced through homework tasks.

In Reading we will be using 'Book Detective' activities in conjunction with our reading group books to enrich our comprehension and to develop our understanding of how an author creates a story.

We will continue to use VCOP to develop our writing. The emphasis on correctly punctuating our written work will continue, extending our range of punctuation.

Joined writing should now be used across all of our pieces of writing to make it automatic.

Health and Wellbeing

This term we will continue to encourage everyone in class to continue to follow our Class Charter and respect the agreed values which are based on the New Machar School Values. We continue to encourage a positive and inclusive ethos in our classroom, with a growth mindset to help us make the most of our time and experiences. We will be thinking about friendships and how to interact and support others when things get a bit tricky.

Please could your child arrive at school in their PE kit on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This will enable us to make the most of our valuable hall time as our sessions ideally start at 9am! Please could you send school uniform in school bag to change into afterwards. In PE we will be learning about gymnastics with Mrs. Hunt and doing 'keep fit' and games with Miss Exley. We will also be swimming at Bucksburn Pool on Friday mornings.



Interdisciplinary Learning

This term we will be learning about the life and culture of Ancient Egyptians. We will be using various resources to research and support our learning.

In Science, the children will be learning about 'Micro-organisms' with Mr. Cole-Hamilton, focusing on different types of bacteria and linking it to Health and Wellbeing.

We will be encouraged to be creative in art, music and drama. We will be given a variety of opportunities related to our project to express ourselves and develop our confidence.

Other

Homework - Spelling will be handed out on a Monday and handed in on a Thursday. Any other homework will be noted in the Homework jotter as required.

Water bottles - pupils are allowed access to plain water during class time. Please provide a named bottle in the interests of hygiene (many pupils have similar bottles!)

Please may I ask you to help me to help you! – Please name clothing items. As we are in the portacabin, access to Lost Property in main building is difficult and items are less likely to be found promptly and returned if not named.