Primary 4 September - October Newsletter 2018



In Literacy: The children will be focusing on developing their fluency and expression when reading aloud, scanning the text for key words and their understanding of the text. They will develop their comprehension skills by answering a variety of questions and focusing on retrieval answering in full sentences. We will be using Story Sacks to help plan our Narrative. The children will also use Mind maps to help plan their "This is Me" writing. Our Grammar focus is capital letter, full stop, question marks and exclamation mark, Free Writing - In addition to the teaching of writing genres, your children will be given greater opportunities to write freely to develop their creativity and language skills.

In Numeracy: Looking at numbers to 999, the value of digits, investigating patterns on 100 array, addition and subtraction using horizontal additional. Data handling and Calendar. We will develop our Problem Solving skills through a range of activities including the RUCSAC method We will also be focusing on the Mental Maths strategies of counting on and back in 2 and 10's, quick recall of number facts to 10, partitioning and rounding and adjusting.

<u>Mathletics</u> - A superb programme for P4 pupils to supplement what is happening in the classroom. Your child can carry out curriculum based work with the suggested activities and can also compete against others through 'live mathletics' - pupils can gain points for their work and these will be rewarded at our monthly assemblies.

In ICT: the children will extend their Explore, Express, Exchange, Exhibit and Evaluation skills. They will complete a CEA task and develop their word-processing skills. Pupils will be accessing our Fronter Course "This is me" allowing them to collaborate, share their work and engage in online forums. Each P4 class has 6 iPads, Apple Tv and IWB to integrated ICT across the curriculum. We will use See Saw to show work covered inclass

It has been great to watch the children come back to school so settled and eager to learn....here are a few reminders about P4 for the ongoing term.

Teachers: Mrs Connolly and Mrs Hanna

Classroom Assistants: Miss Manson, Miss Gallagher and Mrs Mc Carthy

PE.Day Wednesday

Tennis. Due to storm damage coaching will be facilitated outside weather permitting. PE uniform can be worn to school - blue polo top, plain navy bottoms, Half zip tracksuit top or school jumper.

To bring to school each day:

Please remember folder, reading books and reading logs, small bottle of water and tissues.

Relaion

We follow the Grow in Love for P4. Our themes are "Called and Chosen" and "Jesus. Prayer of the Month- Our Father

Lexia - If your child participates in this initiative, please encourage regular usage at home.

World Around Us

Our current theme is This is Me and Where I live. Pupils are learning about the themselves, their life when they were younger and how each of them are unique and special. They will be engaged in music and drama activities as well as independent tasks to develop their understanding.

Home Learning:

Homework will be given out on a Monday and is completed and returned on Fridays. Reading, spellings and mental maths should be worked on nightly. Please ensure pupils complete all tasks and homework is signed.

House System

Each child has been allocated a house and have been presented their badges. There will be monthly awards for the winning house! Points are awarded for behaviour, work, effort, following class rules etc.

Value of the Month:

Friendship

Emotion of the Month:

Happy

