 **P5K Newsletter**

**Session 2017 – 2018**

**Term 2 October - December**

A very warm welcome back to the children and parents of Primary 5K and to what promises to be a busy and exciting term! We have all enjoyed sharing our stories from the October holidays and have returned to school feeling refreshed and energised for lots of new learning!

**Timetable**

*Science* with Mrs Murray on Tuesdays

*German* with Frau Kaup on Wednesdays

*Drumming sessions* with Mrs McIntosh on Fridays

MCj04260540000[1]The class will have P.E. with Mrs East and Mrs Strand focusing on fitness and team games.

Library visits will be every second Thursday **(2nd, 16th and 30th November and 14th December).** Please ensure your child returns their book prior to the next visit.

**Homework**

Homework will continue to **be issued on a Thursday and returned on a Tuesday**. It will cover numeracy, literacy and one other curricular area and will reinforce learning that is taking place in class.   
As always children should have their reading books and diaries with them every day as we often work from our reading books in class.

**Numeracy**

Our Maths this term is also linked to our Enterprise Topic and we will be focusing on Money and Data Handling.

* *I understand the costs, benefits and risks of using bank cards to purchase goods or obtain cash and realise that budgeting is important.* ***MNU 2-09b***
* *I can use the terms profit and loss in buying and selling activities and can make simple calculations for this.* ***MNU 2-09c***
* *I have carried out investigations and surveys, devising and using a variety of methods to gather information and have worked with others to collate, organise and communicate the results in an appropriate way.* ***MNU 2-20b***

**Literacy**

Our Writing focus this term is linked to our topic of Enterprise.

* *By considering the type of text I am creating, I can select ideas and relevant information, organise these in an appropriate way for my purpose and use suitable vocabulary for my audience.* ***LIT 2-26a***
* *I can persuade, argue, explore issues or express an opinion using relevant supporting detail and/or evidence.*

***LIT 2-29a***

Following on from the enjoyment of reading Harry Potter last term the class novel for   
term 2 is ‘George’s Marvellous Medicine’. The class are already enjoying the story and the different style of writing.

**Context for Learning**

Our Topic for this term is an Enterprise based topic. Our class will be learning about big brands and famous entrepreneurs. They will then be creating their own business with the aim to make a product to sell at our café. The main focus will be

* *Developing useful skills for learning life and work.*
* *Gaining business enterprise skills, knowledge and understanding of the importance and methods of managing finance.*

The class will also be listening to local business people telling them all about their companies including why they chose that particular business, how they came up with a name and logo and how they advertised their product.

The children will also have a block of Brazilian Samba throughout the year and I am sure they will share this with you.

**Important dates**

Friday 10th November – PTA Disco  
Monday 13th and Tuesday 14th November - In-service Days (staff only)  
Friday 1st December – Scoping jotters home  
Tuesday 5th December (afternoon) – P5K cafe   
Tuesday 19th December – P4 and 5 Christmas Party  
Friday 22nd December – Church Service – End of term 2

**Reminders**

* As you know the weather is very changeable at the moment, please ensure that your child **brings a waterproof jacket** to school every day. Children can bring shoes to change into at school if they are wearing waterproof outdoor footwear to walk to school in.
* Some children have still not brought back a full P.E. kit this term so if they can do so and keep it in school all week.
* The class have been enjoying some personal reading time in class and can **bring a book/novel from home.**

If you have any questions or would like to discuss anything please do not hesitate to contact either of us at the school or in the playground at the end of the school day.

***Mrs East and Mrs Strand***