

P7K Newsletter

Term 2 – October 2018

Welcome back to school. I hope you all enjoyed your two weeks off and are well rested.

Timetable

Mondays: Library (fortnightly starting on 29.10.18)

Tuesdays: P.E.

Wednesdays: German with Frau Kaup

Thursdays: Science and Art with Mrs Young

Fridays: P.E.

Homework

Continuing on from last term, homework will be given out on a Thursday and will be due in on the following Tuesday.

Dates for the Diary

Friday 9th November – PTA Disco

Monday 12th November & Tuesday 13th November – in-service days

Monday 19th November – flu immunisation begins

Wednesday 21st November – P2-7 Curricular Evening

Monday 17th December – P6 and P7 Christmas Party

Friday 21st December – Church Service for pupils and term ends

Monday 7th January – term 3 starts

This term, we will have Mrs Grant, Mrs Ross and Mrs Stewart working with us in our class as PSAs. In addition to this, we will have Support for Learning Teacher, Mrs Saunders, working with groups within the class to support Literacy and Numeracy. She will continue to offer drop in sessions where learners can choose something that they would like consolidation of. This term we will continue to have Frau Kaup teaching German and Mrs Young, who will be teaching Science and Art.

Contexts for Learning:

Our topic this term will be 'Extreme Earth'. We will be learning about many different types of natural disasters including tsunamis, earthquakes, volcanoes and tornadoes. We will be investigating the effects of these on people who live nearby and what happens in the aftermath of a natural disaster event. We will be learning about events

in a range of case studies. Throughout our topic, we will also be learning about the link between global warming and the increasing frequency of these events.

In Maths, we will be working on money at the start of the term. This work will involve the class using their better understanding of decimals and the four operations, gained in term one, to answer money problems. After this, we will move on to fractions, decimals and percentages. This will involve conversions, finding equivalent fractions and fractions/decimals of amounts. We will finish the term by learning about time including work with 24-hour and 12-hour clocks, timetables and the relationship between speed, distance and time. This term, we will continue the problem-solving sessions with either Mrs Paterson, Miss Seivwright or myself.

In Literacy, we will be covering procedural, narrative and discursive writing. We are hoping to link some of this to our topic. For reading skills, we will be focusing on prediction, inference and clarifying any unknown vocabulary using contextual clues. We will be completing tasks about their homework reading books so please ensure your child has read the pages set and has it signed by the date on the slip. We will be continuing the spelling groups this term as discussed in the last newsletter. We will be completing another presentation in class this term which will allow pupils to use their feedback from their Significant Scot presentations to improve.

If you would like any further information or have a concern then please feel free to write a note to me in your child's home-school diary and I will get back to you as soon as possible.

Thanks for your continued support,

Ailie Jones