



# P6K Newsletter Term 3



Dear Parents

A warm welcome back to the new term! I hope you all had a lovely Christmas holiday.

## Our Timetable

Our timetable for term 3 is as follows:

Monday (every fortnight)	Library
Tuesday/ Thursday	P.E. with Ms Macdonald
Wednesday	French with Mrs Strand
Thursday	Music with Miss Minto and Drama with Mrs McGillivray

## Library



The class will visit the library every second Monday and have already enjoyed their first visit. Future dates are as follows: **21st January, 4th February, 18th February, 4th March and 18th March**. Please continue to ensure your child takes their library books back prior to their next visit.

## Homework

Our homework routine continues as before with homework being issued on a Wednesday, to be completed and returned for the following Tuesday. As always, if you have any comments or concerns, please let me know by writing a note in your child's Home/School book.

## Topic

This term we will be continuing with our topic on Democracy which will hopefully culminate in a class trip to the Scottish Parliament in Edinburgh. This term we will also be learning about the Victorian era, and how the people from that time have influenced our lives now. We will be exploring the lives of children, the jobs people did and the advancements in technology that were made. We are keen to find out a bit more about Kintore in the Victorian era and so are asking if anyone has any information at home please let us know. Also, to develop skills for learning, life and work we frequently discuss skills linked to future careers. If anyone is willing to come into class to tell us about their field of work we would be delighted to hear from you.



## Events

This term we will have a visit from the ALEC inflatable classroom for a session on Friendships. We will also have a visit this month from a theatre group who will perform 'Cinderella' and have the wonderful opportunity to work with the Scottish Opera later in the term.



## Emergency Closure

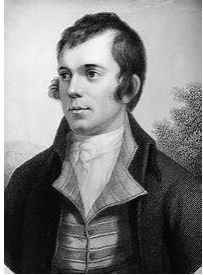
In the event of a school closure there are snow packs for each year group on the school website. These provide educational and engaging activities for your child to work on at home should there be a school closure. If you would prefer a hard copy to keep at home, please let me know by writing a note in your child's home/school diary.

## Targets

This term in **Listening and Talking** the children will be learning about the Scots language and reciting some Scottish poetry. They will be learning to identify the purpose of spoken texts giving suitable explanation, listening and responding to poems as well as reading their poems aloud with appropriate clarity, expression and volume.



In **Reading** the children will be responding to literal, inferential and evaluative questions and creating their own kinds of questions as well as using their knowledge of context clues, punctuation, and layout to read unfamiliar texts with understanding. The children will be reading a variety of poems and learning to comment on the poetic techniques which have been used and their effectiveness.



In **Writing** we will be learning how to write a personal diary entry, writing their poems applying some of the grammatical techniques covered in class including similes, hyperbole, metaphors and alliteration. Later in the term we will also cover report writing.

In **Maths** we will be applying our computational skills to solve problems involving time and money. We will be learning about famous mathematicians and how maths affects our daily lives. This will include learning some basic accountancy keeping track of expenditure and calculating profit and loss. We will also be learning about specific vocabulary relating to shape, identifying and constructing complex objects and learning to use digital and mathematical instruments to draw 2D shapes and make representations of 3D objects.



In **Health and Well Being** the children will be learning about relationships, sexual health and parenthood which will include the Living and Growing resource appropriate for P6.

In **P.E.** we will be improving our ball skills through ball games and will be learning the Dashing White Sergeant and Canadian Barn Dance in celebration of Robert Burns's birthday.

## Dates for your diary

- PTA Ceilidh Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February
- Holiday Weekend Friday 8<sup>th</sup>-Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February inclusive
- In-service Days Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February
- PTA Red Disco Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February
- P6 trip to Edinburgh Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February
- Book Fair Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February
- World Book Day Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March
- School Reports issued Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March
- Parent/Pupil Meetings Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March
- Scottish Opera Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March
- Church Service/End of term Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March
- Start of term 4 Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April

I look forward to continuing our partnership in your child's education. If you would like more information or there is anything you would like to discuss, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Wishing you and your family a happy and healthy new year.

Yours sincerely

Ms Macdonald  
Class Teacher P6K

