

**P3YT Termly Update
Session 2017/18
Term 3**



Class News

Happy New Year! Welcome back to a busy term. This term we will be celebrating Burns, starting our new topic 'Blue Planet' and continuing to work hard on all curricular areas. We hope to get some outdoor learning done on Tuesday afternoons. We are also lucky to have a French teacher to help us to develop our language skills. We continue to encourage the children to take responsibility for their learning and do their best in all areas. To help them do this we ask you to discourage them from bringing toys, jewellery and lip balm into school.

Weekly Timetable

Monday	Assembly (Fortnightly)
Tuesday	Science with Mrs Grant Outdoor Learning (weather permitting)
Wednesday	French with Mrs Leith OTTER Clubs
Thursday	Music PE with Miss Fraser
Friday	Art - We often do whole class art activities and at this stage the children really are better to have their own apron in their tray.

This Term's Learning

Literacy and English...

This term we will continue to develop our phonic knowledge and use different strategies to help us spell words correctly, including the use of a dictionary or list of common words. Our focus will continue to be punctuation, vocabulary, openers and connectives. We will continue to take notes while listening to information and use these notes for report writing, connected to our topic. We will be using non-fiction books for find and record facts relating to our topic. As part of our Burns celebrations we will be looking at Scottish poetry and the Doric language as well as the annual poetry recital competition.

Mathematics...

This term we will be focusing our learning on numbers beyond 100 and times tables. We will also continue to consolidate place value, and strategies for addition and subtraction. Children will be encouraged to use strategies that they find most useful and develop confidence in explaining what they are doing. We will also work on angles, revise capacity and explore symmetry.

Across the Curriculum...

Our topic will be 'The Blue Planet'. The children have already come up with lots of interesting ideas about what they would like to learn. They would like to find out about what the oceans and seas are like. Other areas of interest are sea creatures, sea plants, boats and shipwrecks and working at sea. During Health and Wellbeing lessons we will continue to think about the SHANNARI wellbeing indicators and how they relate to us. We will be focusing on being responsible and being included. In Music the children will be working through a progressive tuned percussion course.

Home Learning Arrangements

Home learning will continue to be sent home on Mondays and will be due back on Thursdays. Topic homework may be given a longer timescale. Reading will continue to be done twice a week. Please encourage your child to present their work neatly and support them by practising their reading, spelling and times tables.

Class Notes

PE Kits- Please ensure that your child has an indoor and outdoor kit. This will include shorts and indoor gym shoes along with warmer clothing and outdoor trainers. Please ensure all belongings are named.
ART Apron- Please have an art apron in class for messy activities. An old t-shirt is perfect.
Water Bottles- Please ensure that bottles only contain water.