# Roslin Primary School



'Exciting learning within our friendly and active community of Roslin and Bilston'

## Literacy & Language

Primary 5 have started 2016 exploring Scots language through poetry, songs and stories. In listening and talking we will be focussing on identifying key words and using these to create our own texts. In reading we are developing our skimming and scanning skills and in writing we are working on instruction writing.

### Numeracy & Maths

The main numeracy topics this term will be multiplication and division. Please encourage your child to practise all known times tables as much as possible, as instant recall is very important in your child's progress in many other numeracy concepts. In Maths, we will be looking at 2D & 3D shape, along with angles.

## Dear Parents/Carers,

## Expressive Arts

Our development of art skills will be done alongside our learning in maths, tying in with our work on shape. The children will be building on their knowledge of Scottish country dancing in relation to our Scotland topic. Mrs Stentiford, our Music specialist, has a number of fun Scots songs to teach the children!

I'm pleased to say the children have come back from the Christmas holidays refreshed and ready to learn. I've rearranged the classroom area differently and it has had a positive effect on the levels of concentration and attention, which is always welcome!

At Roslin Primary we try hard to make sure the children are outside at break times whenever possible. In this wintry weather, an extra pair of socks in the school bag is always useful, just in case of unavoidable wet feet!

Miss Pow

## R.M.E

This term, we are busy learning about Islam. We have already revised a Muslim's basic beliefs, and we are now moving on to exploring the Prophet Muhammad and other significant Muslim figures. P5 will also be learning about the laws surrounding food.

## Health & Wellbeing

Our P.E days are Wednesday and Thursday.

Could you please ensure that your child has a
gym bag with shorts, t-shirt and gym shoes,
labelled with your child's name in case of mixups! Gym bags will be sent home at the end of
term to be washed. The Children are also taking
part in the 'Cool in School' programme that
addresses issues in emotional and social health.

#### **Topic**

The Middle Area topic this term is "Scotland". So far, the pupils are really enjoying this subject area and are learning a variety of skills, including using maps, note-taking and observing, describing and recording. Many of the ideas for the planning of this Topic came from the children themselves and this has greatly increased their level of interest!

#### A wee note ....

Some children are coming to school without gym shoes to wear inside. We know that children's feet grow very quickly so to help ensure that all the pupils still have the correct size of gym shoes we'll check them during the coming week. If we feel they might need replaced we'll send them home so you can also check. Thank you!