



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Primary 6's first newsletter of the year.

As a staff we have worked really hard to create an inviting learning environment in the new school building for our learners, and I am delighted to say that so far, P6 are embracing all of the opportunities provided for them. I am so happy that I get a 2nd year teaching such a lovely bunch of children!

As always, please feel get in touch via the school office with any queries.

Miss Pow

Literacy

We have started this year with a big push on reading for enjoyment. P6 love the new school library, and have chosen a variety of books for personal reading times. We are also reading '*The Last Wild*' as our class novel, which is prompting a lot of interesting predictions and spirited discussion!

In Writing, we are working on developing structure in our imaginative stories. We will also look at strengthening our technical skills, such as the use of paragraphs and appropriate tense.

Mathematics

We have begun this term with a numeracy focus on Number Word Sequences and Numerals. We hope to progress our knowledge and understanding of the number system through lots of practical activities. We will also continue the all-important 'Daily 4' to ensure those mental strategies and reasoning skills are kept sharp!

Money will be another area of investigation this term, where we will look at all coins up to £2 and notes to £100. Payment of goods will be a focus, as well as mental strategies in giving change. The children will also have opportunities to find out different ways of managing money, as well as comparing costs and evaluating best deals.

H&WB

In our P.E lessons we will be looking at problem solving and fitness, as well as getting Rugby sessions from our coach James. Our current P.E days are a Monday and a Tuesday; please be advised the timetable can be subject to change. Bringing in kit (change of top, shorts/jogging bottoms and indoor shoes) on a Monday and taking it home on Friday will help make sure the children are always prepared!

In other areas of HWB, we have worked together as a class to create an agreed set of expectations that have stemmed from our new school vision statement, aims and values. The children are also getting the chance to explore how to keep themselves emotionally healthy through relaxation with Ms Clarke.

Learning Across the Curriculum

- P6 have had a great start learning some Australian songs with Mrs. Stentiford, our Music specialist. Many of the children from our class are also involved in the school choir, which practices on Tuesday afternoons.
- In RME our class will be learning about Christian worship and how to use, navigate and read the bible.
- We've started this session with a mini-project on Australia in honour of our 2 visiting students from Down Under! We intend to compare and contrast life in Scotland with topics such Australian currency, flora, fauna, landmarks, and much more.