



Dear Parent/Carer,

Happy New Year! Whilst the holidays seem like a distant memory, I do hope you and your child had a wonderful time together over the two weeks we were off.

The class have come back ready and prepared to learn and I am impressed once again with their enthusiasm for learning 😊

Mrs. Berry

### Maths

P4 will be working on a variety of maths skills over this term. Addition and subtraction skills (both written and mental) will be developed and we will be having a big emphasis on times tables this term. Any practice you can do at home is really helpful!

Within our practical maths work, we will be extending our understanding of angles and money.

At least 4 days a week, the class take part in some form of mental maths practice. I have seen some great progress already so keep it up!

### Learning Across the Curriculum

Mrs Denham is enjoying her Thursdays working with P4 and we work closely to evaluate the children's progress. In RME this term, Mrs Denham will be developing the children's understanding of Islam. Within Health and Wellbeing the children will be looking at rights and responsibilities as well as the journey food takes from farm to plate. Our science work will see us asking questions about forces and magnets as well as understanding how living things develop.

### Literacy

This term we have several aspects of literacy we will be working on. In reading, our comprehension skills will be developed. By using different types of texts, children will have the opportunity to answer different types of questions to further their understanding. This links in well with skills we will be developing in listening and talking where the focus will be understanding, analysing and evaluating.

In writing we will be working on instructional texts and personal writing. The main focus across these two areas will be the editing process - what steps to follow, how to get support, how to use feedback to edit etc.

Well done to all of those in P4 who are taking part in the First Minister's Reading Challenge!

### ROSLIN GLEN

We have been enjoying our monthly trips to Roslin Glen. We have gone river dipping, built dens, toasted marshmallows over a fire, created creatures out of natural materials and most recently taken part in a scavenger hunt and matched materials in nature to shades of green and brown. Our next Glen dates are: Tues 21<sup>st</sup> Feb and Tues 21<sup>st</sup> March.

### ROUTINES

Just a reminder that PE is on a Monday and Wednesday and pupils should have a full PE kit for both sessions. It is really important at this time of year that children have a pair of indoor shoes to change in to. Please check with your child that their indoor shoes still fit them!