April 2017

Dear parents/carers,

Welcome to the last term! It’s lovely to see all the children returning with such enthusiasm for learning!

We will be starting the term by writing and producing our class assembly which will be on the 15th of May. Please come along to the school to see the performance on the 15th at 2:45pm. The children will be looking forward to sharing their learning.

Topic

P3/4 will be studying ‘Scotland’ this term. There will be a focus on landscape, land use and habitats along with many more aspects of life in Scotland included (food, dancing, animals, language etc). The children will have an opportunity to discuss what they would like to learn about so please discuss this with your child and encourage them to bring some suggestions.

Numeracy

This term P4 will be learning more about using different units of measurement accurately, identifying and measuring angles in both 2D and 3D shapes and data handling. P3 will be learning about rounding numbers to the nearest 10, estimating and measuring accurately, data handling and properties of 2D and 3D shapes. They will also all have the chance to revise multiplication, division, addition, subtraction, fractions and the connections between all of these mathematical concepts. So, please continue to practise the times tables and number bonds at home.

Literacy

In writing, we will keep concentrating on up-levelling sentences to make writing more detailed and descriptive by using more adjectives, ambitious vocabulary, adverbs and a larger variety of sentence openers.

P3/4 will be continuing with the spelling programme. The children will return home on Mondays with a new spelling sound and new words to practise at home during the week. Please continue to support your child’s learning in this way and look out for other words with the same sound that you come across during the week. Reading will be taught either on Mondays and Wednesdays or Tuesdays and Thursdays this term, with any book detective tasks given when appropriate.

Some weeks there may be Homework Talk issued. This means that a topic or subject will be given to the child and the child is expected to discuss this at home. These topics or subjects will often be used to develop ideas for writing or for classroom discussions. There is no need to write anything down as the home task is to stimulate talking which will help with classroom work.

Any other homework will be handed out on a Monday and due back the following Monday.

Term 4:

PE - Tuesdays (Mr Waz) and Thursdays - please remember indoor shoes and gym kit.

Science - Thursdays (Mrs Middleton),

Art - Thursdays fortnightly (Miss Thomson) - please bring an apron or an old t-shirt.

Library - P4 on Wednesdays fortnightly and P3 every Friday - please remember to return library books,

Show and Tell - Fridays.

Golden Time - Fridays.

Dates for your diary.

Mon 1st May - Bank Holiday - School closed to pupils and staff,

Fri 5th May - Pupil Reports issued to parents.

Wed 17th May - Parent Consultations & Book Fayre 6-8:30pm

Thu 18th May - Parent Consultations & Book Fayre 3:45-6:15pm

Fri 19th May – Dress as you please day - bring some chocolate,

Fri 2nd June - 10:30am Primary 1 to Primary 7 School Sports Event, Bourtree Park & Lunchtime - Family Picnic, Fishermoss School grounds (weather permitting).

Fri 9th June - Primary 1 to Primary 7 School Sports Event 10:30am, Bourtree Park (if wet on 2nd June).

Fri 30th June – Last day of term.

If you have any questions, queries or concerns, please see me at the end of the day, send me a note or telephone to make an appointment.

Mrs Ferrero