

PRIMARY 5/6 - CLASS NEWSLETTER - TERM 3 2023-2024

HERMITAGE PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

In **LITERACY** this term we are learning -

- Spelling – Hermitage Park spelling progression focussing on a new sound fortnightly. Revise a variety of spelling skills.
- Further develop our grammar and punctuation skills, in particular, direct and indirect speech, apostrophes, and a variety of figures of speech.
- Focus on a range of informational writing including note-taking, instructions, fact files and reports.
- Reading – Comprehension skills linked to group/class novels, Literature Roles, and Literacy Box activities.

In **NUMERACY AND MATHEMATICS** this term we are learning -

- Algebra – Using rules, extend number sequences and patterns. Learn well known number sequences. Solve a range of algebraic equations.
- Money – Budgeting activities. Financial Literacy workshops delivered by MyBnk Scotland.
- Hermie Counts- Sequencing and ordering; number lines; equivalences.
- Symmetry – Identify lines of symmetry in 2D shapes. Complete and create symmetrical patterns.
- Angles – Discuss, describe and clarify angles.



In **HEALTH AND WELLBEING** we will be learning -

- P5/6 will have PE with Ms Leggatt on a Thursday. Please ensure your child has a full PE kit in class.
- PE on a Monday with Ms Milne. Focus this term will be gymnastics and fitness.
- Our Building Resilience theme will be 'Get Active'. We will be learning how being active benefits both body and mind.
- We will continue to support our P1 buddies with reading, outdoor games and creative activities.

Our **TOPIC** is Chinese New Year/Scots' Month/Space

- In the lead up to Scots' week we shall learn Scots' vocabulary linked to poetry and creative writing. We shall discuss what 'being Scottish' means and learn about diversity in Scotland. We shall choose Scots' poems to recite to our peers.
- Chinese New Year – We shall research the traditions through art, drama and storytelling. We shall complete activities comparing aspects of life in China to Scotland.
- Space – Observe and research features of the solar system. Learn about individuals who have contributed to this scientific area.

**Ready
Respectful
Safe**

OTHER LEARNING and WIDER SCHOOL LIFE.

- We will be participating in Pupil Leadership Groups.
- We will continue to develop our French and Spanish language in line with the 1+2 policy.
- P5/6 will have Sustainability/ICT with Ms Colvin on a Tuesday and Music with Mr Craighead on a Wednesday.
- Ukulele lessons shall take place on a Thursday.
- 9th February – P5/6 Assembly – Chinese New Year.
- P5/6 will participate in a Scottish Opera performance.

OTHER NEWS and REMINDERS

- Please try and encourage your child to read for 20 minutes a day (or in the evening).
- Please label all your child's clothing and possessions.
- Children may bring a book from home into class. We will also visit the school library on a Thursday.
- Please remember to bring a water bottle and healthy snack each day.
- Home Learning for this term can be found on the school website.