



Welcome back everyone!

I hope you all had a fantastic October break. We are looking forward to a very busy term here at Methlick with Christmas just around the corner!

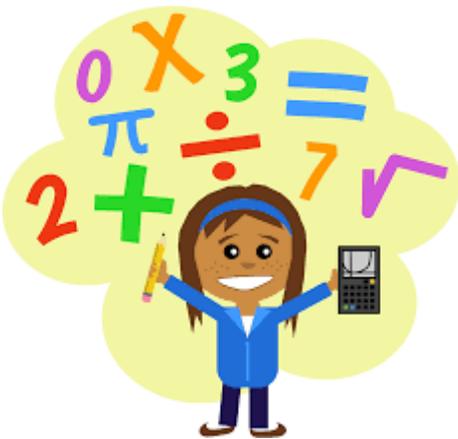
Topic

This term, our class topic is “Technology Takeover”. P6/5 will be focusing on extending and enhancing their knowledge of digital technologies and how to collect, analyse and organise information in appropriate ways. The class will also be exploring online communities, demonstrating an understanding of responsible digital behaviour and how to keep themselves safe and secure. The pupils will also have the opportunity to do some programming; using Scratch, they will build and edit algorithms to create simple games.



Numeracy

Multiplication and Division will continue to be embedded in our weekly routine with an aim for all pupils to become more confident with their table facts. In Numeracy, the class will be continuing to further their understanding of Time, focusing on interpreting timetables and schedules to plan events and activities, and making time calculations. The pupils will also be developing their knowledge of Money, focusing on carrying out money calculations involving the four operations, comparing costs and affordability within a given budget and calculating profit and loss accurately.

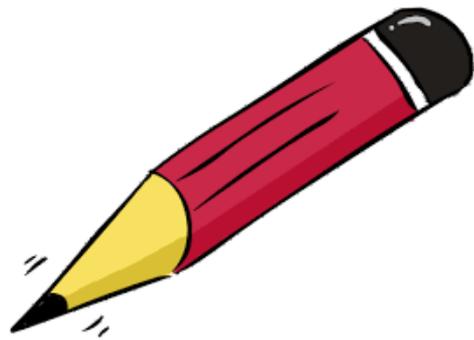




Finally, the class will also be improving their knowledge of Information Handling with a focus on carrying out investigations and surveys whilst using a variety of methods to gather data. The pupils will be working collaboratively to collate, organise and communicate the results in an appropriate way.

Literacy

Throughout Term 2, P6/5 will continue to work on the use of punctuation with an aim to consistently and accurately implement a wide range of punctuation into their writing. The class will be working on improving the structure and depth of their written work, using sentences of different lengths, linking sentences using a range of connectives and using paragraphs to separate thoughts and ideas.



Mrs Milne will continue to lead our Writing sessions and we will continue to work collaboratively with the P7/6 class. During Term 1, the children focused on developing their skills in imaginative writing. Term 2 will move away from imaginative writing, focusing on persuasive and functional writing.



In Term 2, there will be a talking assessment carried out by all pupils. More information will be handed out a couple of weeks into the term.

Reading will continue to be heard two to three times a week. Please use the reading record to add any comments about your child's reading.

Health and Wellbeing

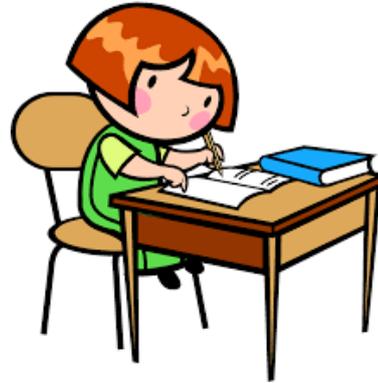
In Health and Wellbeing, we will be looking at the journey of food. This will have strong links to Numeracy, as the class will be investigating food-labeling systems and begin to develop an understanding of how to use them to make healthy choices. The class will have opportunities to plan meals within a budget, whilst following a specified dietary requirement.



P.E will be every Tuesday and Friday. The pupils will be taking part in Scottish Country Dancing, paying particular attention to features of the dance. The class will aim to demonstrate coordination and control in a range of dance actions and sequences.

Homework

Homework will continue to be handed out Friday and is expected to be returned the Thursday. Homework will primarily consist and reading activities with a talking assessment sent home for the pupils to for the class.



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Visiting Specialists



This term, we are very lucky to have visiting specialists for Music, French and ICT. Mrs Minto will be taking music and Mrs Macdearmid will be teaching ICT. Mrs Davidson will also be delivering French lessons to the class. Ms Rees will continue to take the class for Art throughout the year.

Thank you for your ongoing support and if you have any concerns or queries regarding your child's learning, please do not hesitate to contact the office and arrange a meeting.

Kind regards,

Mr. Reid