



**Banff Primary
School**

Primary 6A

Welcome Back

We have settled in very quickly to the new term and are ready and raring to go in Primary 6. We have had a productive two weeks working together in our new groups and beginning our new class novel 'Wonder'. If you have any questions please get in touch with me, Miss Kilmurry, at the school by phone or email.

Homework

More information will follow regarding homework in the next two weeks. We will continue to use Google Classroom for homework and sharing learning. Please keep usernames and passwords safe for this purpose and let me know if there are any issues with this.

Other Visitors to the Class

Mr Mair - PE and Listening and Talking
Mrs Matheson - French
Mrs Gauld and Mrs Moir - PSAs

Bikeability

Primary 6 will be offered the opportunity to complete the Bikeability Level 2 training. We will be able to offer this once roof works are complete. More information will follow.

PE

PE will take place outdoors on a Monday, Thursday and Friday focusing on developing fitness. We are still not changing for PE at this time. We will also train the Primary 6's in Play Leaders so that hopefully in the future they can lead games in the playground with younger children.

Our Learning

Literacy

Reading - We have begun reading 'Wonder' as our class novel which we are thoroughly enjoying. We will work as a whole class initially focusing on using the six reading strategies metacognition, metalinguistics, inference, visualisation, summarising and main ideas. Thereafter we will apply our learning in reading groups towards the end of term one.

Writing - Narrative style focusing on the structure of our writing and our use of vocabulary, connectives, sentence openers and punctuation.

Listening and Talking - We are focusing on listening and talking in group situations, listening to others' opinions and responding appropriately.

Numeracy

Our main maths focus this term will be place value, estimation and rounding and number processes with numbers up to 100,000. We will continue to individually progress through our Big Maths programme as we began last year working on a range of mental maths strategies.

Health and Wellbeing

As we settle back into the school year we will continue using mindfulness techniques building on our learning from last year using the Do-Be Mindful programme. We will look at Growth Mindset and develop our understanding further on how our brains work.

IDL

As we progress through the term our IDL topic will be 'World Explorers' where we will develop a sense of the world map and our place within that. We will have a specific focus on certain countries and learn a little more about life in those countries.