

# Primary 7 Newsletter

August 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians, Welcome to P7!

## Literacy

This term we will be focusing on our VCOP skills by following our Big Writing programme. We will also be developing our narrative writing.

We will be practicing our speech writing skills for our House and Vice Captain speeches. P7's will learn what makes a good speech and the power of persuasive language!

For reading, we will be practicing and enhancing our reading skills through our class novel 'The Boy at the back of the class'.

Mrs Matheson will teach French once a week.

## Topic and other Curricular Areas

Our Topic this term is 'World Explorer'. We will be using our ICT time to explore places on Google Earth and time in class to develop our map reading skills. P7's will focus on Australasia and learn about different cultures through art and dance.

Mr Mair will teach Art and dance once a week this term with both P7 classes.

## Important Information

The Primary 7 classes will both be supported by Mrs Y McIntosh.

The children have been provided with individual packs so will not require pencil cases from home.

Homework and reading will not be sent home at this time due to the current Covid guidelines.

If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us

Many thanks

Mrs Esslemont (P7A), Miss Smith (P7A) & Mrs Gerring (P7B)

## Numeracy

Throughout this term we will be focusing on Number/Number Processes which includes rounding, place value, and estimation. We are continuing to use Big Maths which was introduced last year and we will be using a range of resources to develop our skills.

For wider maths, we are focusing on Shape.

## Health and Wellbeing

Throughout Term 1 we will be focusing on daily Mindfulness sessions in class through the Do Be Mindful Programme and other resources. We will also be focusing on how to achieve a Growth Mindset and encourage our perseverance. This will be useful to develop our confidence particularly in preparation for transitioning to Secondary school.

We will continue to use the Astro for P.E. No P.E kits are required at the moment but jackets maybe needed for our Scottish weather!

## ICT

All P7's should be able to access Google Classroom at home. Please ensure that your child can access GLOW and Google Classroom from home. We will be enhancing our Powerpoint skills and developing online map reading using Google Maps and Google Earth.

## Dates for your Diary

House and Vice Captains to be announced – Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> August.

Scottish Maths week – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October.

Christmas cards to sent home – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October