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Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to term one of primary four!

I hope you all had a lovely summer and managed to have a joyful break! I am looking forward to being the primary four teacher this year and welcoming all the children into the classroom and getting the new year started!

Over the last couple of weeks, the class and myself have been building our class community, creating our routines, rules and expectations. I look forward to the year ahead and all the learning that is to come!

Thank you for your support, it is appreciated! Please do not hesitate to get in touch via the office if you have any queries or concerns.

Miss Lawson

English and Literacy

Spelling: Weekly spelling words will be issued following a spelling progression with activities that will be differentiated.

Reading: We will be using guided reading sessions to reading skills such as, develop and explore key summarising, predicting, clarifying and questions.

Writing: We will continue to use our PM writing programme and our initial focus will be on information reports

Listening and Talking: In primary 4, the children will be engaging in the Skills Builder programme. The children will engage with listening and speaking skills in the classroom environment.

Numeracy and Maths:

Numeracy: This term our focus will be on place value and the four operations (addition, subtraction, division and multiplication).

We will use 'Number Talks' to support the children to develop mental strategies

Maths: This term our beyond number focus will be data handling.

Digital learning

We are regularly using digital technology within the classroom and logging into 'Microsoft Teams' and other online programmes. If you have any issues with digital logins, please get in touch and I will do my best to sort them.

Interdisciplinary Learning (IDL): Ancient Greece

This term, our IDL focus will be on Ancient Greece. As a class, it was decided that we would explore Ancient Greece. We will explore this topic through a variety of literacy, numeracy, health and well-being, art and drama activities. As a class we will discuss what we want to learn and establish key question, ensuring a child-led approach to our learning.

P.E. Days - Tuesday and Thursday, Please ensure your child has suitable clothing to change into:

Outdoor Learning - We will have lots of opportunities to learn outdoors, so please ensure your child always has an appropriate jacket.

Homework - Homework will be issued after the September break More details to follow.

Adults helping in our class:

- Miss Clark will be teaching beyond number, writing and expressive arts on a Wednesday.
- Miss Smith will be our pupil support worker this year.

"<mark>United Nations Rights of a Child:</mark> In December 2024 we successfully achieved our Silver Rights Respecting School Award. As a school we are currently working towards our Gold Award and are engaging in lots of activities to develop our children's understanding of their rights. If you'd like to learn more, then you can use the following link from Parents Club: <u>https://www.parentclub.scot/articles/childrens-rights</u>, '

