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Mid Calder Primary P4 Learning Letter

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to term four of primary four!

I hope you all had a lovely Easter break and rested well I am looking forward to starting off the term aiming high, doing lots of learning and getting back into the school routine.

We have lots of exciting learning opportunities coming up this term and I know you all will be great! I can't believe this will be our final term together in primary four! I have really enjoyed teaching you in primary four, let's make term four our best one yet!

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 develop and explore keyreading skills such as, summarising, predicting, clarifying and questioning.

Writing: We will continue to use our PM writing programme and we will focus on 2 different genres; recount and procedure.

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 fractions.

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

Maths: This term our beyond number focus will be angles and symmetry, shape and money.

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): Martha Maps It Out and rainforests

This term, we will have two IDL topics. Martha Maps It Out will be a mini IDL focus and rainforests will be our main focus. I know the class will really enjoy our mini topic and will have the opportunity to share their learning at our parent pop in!

Rainforests will be a great focus for the class as they already know so much about climate and animals!

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 - Wednesday (outdoor) and Thursday (indoor). 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 on a Tuesday and will be due on the following Monday.

Adults helping in our class:

- Miss Clark will be teaching expressive arts with a focus on music on a Tuesday.
- Miss Robertson will be teaching PE on a Thursday.
- Miss Smith will be our pupil support worker this year.

"United Nations Rights of a Child: 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: https://www.parentclub.scot/articles/childrens-rights."

