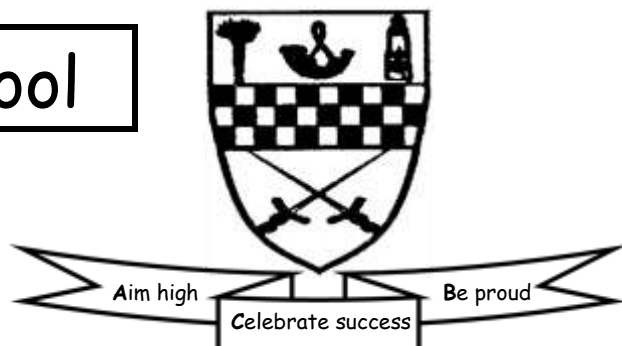


Mauricewood Primary School



Welcome to P3

The children are settling into P3 and are enjoying getting back into routines. We are looking forward to lots of fun and learning this term.

Literacy

The children are working to improve their skills when reading aloud, including using word attack skills to read with fluency in their groups. All children now have a reading book and it would be really helpful if the reading record could be signed. We have also started a novel study on 'The Twits' where the children are looking at the author's use of language. We will also be learning the story of The Papaya That Spoke. We will focus on character and description as the children write their own version. Look out for their story maps on Seesaw.

Numeracy/Maths

We will continue with place value, sequencing numbers, addition and subtraction and multiplication. This will involve written work, practical activities, games and ICT. In Maths children will be working on shape, position and movement where we will be using our new Chromebooks and programmable robots. We will also be practising mental strategies for a variety of calculations and tackling problem solving questions where the children will use reasoning skills.

Learning in other areas of the curriculum.

We were very excited to get our Chromebooks during the first days back at school and we are learning to carefully look after these. We have also been discussing the importance of internet safety. You can check out the website we have been using via this link- g.co/interland, Our topic is Farming where we will explore the variety of foods produced in Scotland and discuss the importance of different types of agriculture in the production of these foods. We will use instruments to measure and record at least two different weather elements, for example, temperature, rainfall, wind direction.

Health & Wellbeing

This term we have been looking at the brain and Growth and Fixed Mindsets. The children will explore how a Growth Mindset is beneficial to their learning. We will also have weekly circle times to discuss the importance of being respectful, safe and ready to learn.

We are going to be learning about the Zones of Regulation through the context of the film, 'Inside Out' and this will help the children to understand and regulate their feelings. P.E is on a Friday morning and children should wear P.E. kit on this day.

Other Information

Each week the class will focus on a particular aspect of our school rules. Ticks will be added to the Recognition Board if children have demonstrated making an effort with our focus. They will then have a simple class reward before we move on to our next target.

Please encourage your child to bring a large bottle of water to school each day as there is no water available in the classroom.

Please check Seesaw regularly for photos and updates on your child's learning.

I look forward to working together with you to support your child's learning throughout the year.

Cheryl Nemec