



It is wonderful to welcome everyone back for the Summer Term of P6, and the children are already showing their enthusiasm for this term's new learning opportunities.

Literacy

In reading, the children will be building on their discussion skills in their new Book Club groups. They are practising how to engage deeply with a text by taking on a critical thinking role each week. In writing, they are learning how to write newspaper recounts and applying this within their topic work. Later in the term they will be extending their imaginative writing skills with techniques to create suspense in their stories. They will also be delivering a personal talk.

Numeracy/Maths

The children will continue to broaden their application of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division to solve problems with negative and part numbers. They will learn to plan budgets and interpret bank statements and financial information. They will begin to solve algebra calculations where one number has been replaced by a symbol. They will also be learning to interpret and record data, for example, as frequency charts and Venn diagrams.

Learning in other areas of the curriculum.

We have already started our Social Studies topic in which we will learn about Penicuik's heritage by taking part in 'Oor Toun' story-writing project. We will have a specific focus on exploring key people, places and events in Penicuik's history with a specific focus on our mining heritage. We are excited about our forthcoming class trip to the National Mining Museum on 8th June. In French, the children will further explore written and spoken language patterns and create a digital 'About me' project to describe themselves and their families.

Health & Wellbeing

We will continue to discuss relationships, wellbeing and keeping ourselves safe in RSHP and circle time discussions. In PE, the children are enjoying their Rugby lessons which will continue for most of the term. They will also be developing their technical agility in Athletics. There will be opportunities for the children to enjoy competition both within the class and with other schools at the Athletics Festival. PE is on a Monday with Miss Lothian and on a Tuesday, when we work with Aaron, who is a Rugby Development Officer.

Other Information

There will be a reading homework assignment to prepare for Book Club meetings on Fridays. Please ensure your child reads the pages indicated on their bookmark each week. They should also bring their book back to school every day as they will have time in class to complete their preparation. Your support with their spelling and numeracy homework is also appreciated. This is shared on the Google Classroom every week. Please encourage your child to bring a water bottle to school every day.

I look forward to supporting your child's learning throughout this term. Please keep an eye on Seesaw and the Google Classroom for news, updates and examples of work that your child is particularly proud to share with you. Thank you, Mrs Cunningham.