



Our new P7A have come back after summer fully ready and eager to take on their new roles and duties in the school! We have a busy term and year ahead of us on the preparation for high school. P7A have been amazing buddies to the new P1s. We will be continuing to strengthen our teamwork, resilience and effective communication skills throughout this year and being positive role models.

## Literacy

P7A have been busy creating explanation texts ranging from what is a tsunami, to creating their very own inventions. P7A have enjoyed using their digital skills to further show their skills on explanation texts by create powerpoints slides to document and explain their topic 'Natural Disasters'. P7A have started their reading groups where they have weekly discussions about the chapters they have read and compare notes. We have been practising our note taking skills in preparation for our journey to high school. We have also continued on from last year with focusing on their cursive handwriting. We will be moving onto exploring persuasive writing where they will look into advertisements and forming elections within the class.

## Numeracy

P7A have been continuing to enhance their knowledge and understanding about Time. We have been focusing on converting 12 hour time to 24 hour as well as differentiating between am and pm. We have been exploring the use of timetables such as bus times, our school routines and calendars and how to successfully collect information from them. We will be looking into durations of events and also carrying out problem solving linked to time, speed and distance. We will then be moving onto measurements. We will be looking at common units of measurement, converting between related units and carry out calculations when solving problems. We will also be exploring how to calculate perimeters and areas of 2D and 3D shapes as well developing their estimating skills.

## Learning in other areas of the curriculum

This term our science topic has been Natural Disaster. P7A have been excited about exploring a wide range of natural disasters and have created amazing written text, powerpoints, posters, models and artwork all linked to the topic. In the last 2 weeks of the topic, pupils will be given a category to carry out further research where they will present in front of the class and share their findings - I will let you know via Seesaw when we are approaching this part. We are also looking forward to learning more about music on a Thursday, where some P7's have opted to take part in the school choir and RME on a Tuesday with our class Specialists.

## Health & Wellbeing

We are continuing to develop our knowledge on the Zones of Regulations and strengthening our growth mindsets. We have also been looking into the UNCRC (UNICEF) rights of the child. P7A have had visits from Red Cross and Dog's trust to find ways to keep themselves and others safe.

In PE children will be working on stamina, speed, coordination and teamwork skills.. PE days will be Tuesday and Thursday. Miss Polson hopes to take the children outdoors as much as possible, please make sure they are wearing appropriate clothing.

## Other Information

Homework - Children will be sent home with a reading book and set chapters each week. They can take notes to remind them of key events and characters for group discussions in class.

Chromebooks will continue to be sent home if a specific digital homework task is given.

Please let me know if you require your Google Classroom or Seesaw log in details.