



ECPS – TERM 1 LEARNING OVERVIEW

P4S – Term 1 (August - October)

The main focus for learning this term will be:

Extreme Earth

Literacy

Reading

- Children will continue to be introduced to the different roles within 'Literature Circles'. This will involve reading at home and group discussions / task in class (word wizard, question maker, summariser and illustrator).
- We will continue to develop our fluency and expression when reading aloud. We will extend our vocabulary and develop our comprehension skills to show that we can understand a piece of text.
- Children will have continued opportunities to explore non-fiction texts as part of their topic work and will develop their research skills.
- Children will develop their use of a dictionary to understand more complex vocabulary.
- Children will be encouraged to read for enjoyment through weekly visits to the school library.

Writing

- Children will continue to practise using a range of punctuation, and develop their use of different connectives and adjectives.
- After completing their writing task, children will work to review and improve their writing.
- Children will be learning to aid their spelling through the use of Fry's words and different sounds.

Listening and Talking

- Skills will be developed through a variety of opportunities to express ideas and provide answers in group.
- class discussions across the curriculum.
- Children will continue to develop their awareness of current affairs and stories in the news; for example through watching and discussing CBBC Newsround.

Numeracy and Mathematics

- Number talks
- Think boards
- SEAL
- Times Tables
- Place Value
- +, -, x and ÷
- Maths Week Scotland
- Sumdog Competitions

Health and Wellbeing

This term in Health and Wellbeing we will focus on Friendship and uniqueness. The children will look at how they can promote healthy friendships, communicate with others and show empathy. They will also be taking part in lots of work round our school Values and participate in activities focussing on nurture and achieving. In addition to this, children will continue to have the opportunity to build on their social relationships and share their news, ideas, thoughts and feelings on a weekly basis.

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In PE this term with Mr Millar the children will work co-operatively and competitively, developing movement and ball skills used within the game of benchball - throwing and catching, moving into a space, defending a player and scoring a goal. Understanding of rules and good sportsmanship will be encouraged.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Our topic this term is Extreme Earth. Through this topic we will focus on natural disasters including volcanic eruptions, tsunamis and tornadoes. We will learn why these are caused and discuss safety measures. We will link this to Science and carry out the volcano experiment. The children will use research skills to find out about natural disasters which have taken place and how these have affected lives.

Through our Extreme Earth topic we will also be developing skills in the following areas:

- Social Studies
- Literacy - reading, writing, listening and talking
- Art & Technology - volcanoes
- ICT - internet use for research & word document creation
- Maths - reading the Richter Scale

Discrete subjects

- RME - Stories About Key Figures in the Bible.
- Science - Dissolving materials
- Music - Listening & responding

Opportunities for personal achievement and involvement in the ethos and life of the school

- School Houses
- Celebration of wider achievements outwith school
- Rights Respecting School
- Class Jobs & Responsibilities
- Hubs

Other information

- P.E days this term are on a Monday & Tuesday with Mr Millar our P.E specialist teacher. Please ensure your child has a P.E kit on these days. This should consist of a t-shirt and shorts or leggings in black, white or yellow and a pair of gym shoes or trainers. Long hair should be tied up and jewellery removed.
- Drama is on a Thursday with Mrs Beattie and will link to Extreme Earth.
- We visit the school library on a Wednesday to choose a new book of interest.
- As per leaflet, homework grid will be sent home fortnightly.
- A reading book will be sent home on a Monday with diary to show what has to be read. It should be in school bag everyday as pupils will be working on it in class.

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