

P3/4/5 Newsletter

Term 2
Jan. 2026



A Note from Mrs MacDonald, Mrs Garden and P3/4/5

Hello Families! Term 2 learning is well underway here in P3/4/5. Here's an update on what we're learning about, and what's still to happen between now and the Spring holiday.



Literacy

- Reading: We are continuing with our reading books and associated comprehension activities, as well as ERIC every day.
- Writing: P3's are working on instructions, P4's are learning the skill of notetaking, and P5's are learning persuasive techniques.
- Talking & Listening: our Scots poetry performances will be our focus at the start of this term.



Numeracy & Maths

- In numeracy we continue to focus on the four operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We use a combination of mental maths, textbook work and maths games to help reinforce our knowledge.
- Beyond number, we are learning about symmetry, time and shape this term.



Health and Wellbeing

- We had our final swimming session on Wednesday 14th January.
- P.E. days continue on Tuesdays and Thursdays, with yoga, basketball, orienteering, hockey amongst the activities we will be doing this term.
- We will continue to develop resilience through growth mindset and mental wellbeing. We will also be exploring healthy eating and nutrition, and learning more about caring for ourselves and others.



Social Studies

- We are very excited to be learning about Mary Queen of Scots this term. We have already shared our current knowledge with each other, and have a list of questions about her and her life that we hope to find answers to!
- We will make links to other curricular areas like maths, science, drama and art.



Other Curricular Areas

- Science - time (linked to the Sun and Moon), dissolving and the properties of substances.
- Art - paint, fabric, collage and 3D models.
- Music - evaluating music.
- Drama - linked to Social Studies.
- RME - the Hindu festival of Holi.

