

# Curriculum Newsletter

Summer 1 Class 1

2015

Welcome back I hope you have all enjoyed your break and are ready for the exciting term ahead!

**Cross curricular topic work:** We will continue our Katie Morag topic this half term.

## **Numeracy:**

We will be focusing on comparing weights and capacities, doubling and halving numbers, 2's, 5's and 10 times tables, dividing, time (looking at o'clock, half past, quarter to and quarter past) and recapping addition and subtraction.

## **Literacy:**

We will be focusing on several Katie Morag stories including 'Katie Morag and the two grandmothers', 'Katie Morag and the tiresome ted' and 'Katie Morag and the Wedding'. Children will use this to support their writing by sequencing and rewriting the different stories. We will be closely looking at sentence construction, instructions, newspaper reports and character descriptions. As well as this, we will be creating our own adventure story!

All children will stay in class during RWI to concentrate on phonics ready for the phonics screening check in June.

## **ICT:**

We will continue to develop skills in simple word processing. We will also use the programme 'paint' to create pictures of characters from the Katie Morag stories and evaluate our own puppet.

## **History/Art:**

We will be looking at the history of the kilt, which will include where tartan comes from and how it is made. Additionally, we will be painting our own tartan and looking at the different colours they use within tartan.

## **PE**

P.E will always be on a Monday afternoon. All children must have the appropriate P.E kit for both indoors and outdoors.

## **RE, PSHE and SEAL:**

We will be learning about the stories of Jesus in RE and are lucky enough to have 'Open the book' come into Class 1 every Wednesday to read us a bible story. In PSHE we will be focusing on what we can do in order to respect others and how to keep ourselves safe in school and the community.

### Enrichment opportunities:

- Visit to the seaside (Flamborough)
- Sketches of shells
- Painting stones we have brought back from the seaside
- Design and making our own teddy puppets
- Learn a Scottish poem with actions
- Make Katie Morag faces out of modrock

### Ways to help your child:

- By talking about the **topics** and finding out any information from books, computers, internet, libraries etc. Please encourage the children to bring any useful information into school. If you have any particular personal information, which may be of interest and you would like to share this in school, please contact me.
- By discussing any **Home Learning** with your child and helping/encouraging them to complete any tasks. Home Learning is given out on Fridays and should be returned to school by the following Thursday so it can be marked and celebrated.
- By helping them to learn thoroughly any mental maths work.
- By helping them to learn thoroughly any **spellings** they may bring home. Spellings are given out through RWI on a Friday and tested the following week.
- By encouraging them to read as much as possible (**at least 3 times a week**) and using the assessment focus ideas in your child's home school diary.
- The children will be set **curricular targets** that will be shared with them each term. These are small steps to success that children should know and aim to achieve by the end of term.
- Ensuring that they come to school on time, ready to work hard and succeed!
- Next term children will be expected to complete a **phonics screen test**. This will determine their ability to decode different words. Please support at home where possible. A phonics presentation is taking place on **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April** at 4.30pm and a pack will be given out.

Thank you so much for all your help and support!!

**"Reach for the Stars"**

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