



Primary P5,6 & 7 Newsletter: Term 2 2021-2022

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Welcome to our termly "Class Newsletter" which aims to give you a little more information about what your child will be doing this term.

Welcome to Term 2

As the final face paints have been washed off and the whizz, pop, bang has dispersed, we can finally settle down into what I hope will be a fantastic term ahead. Welcome to one and all!

We started the term with our fantastic health and well being activities, focussing on the Eatwell Guide. The class worked successfully in groups to design, plan and prepare a Healthy Packed lunch, including a sandwich, smoothie, fruit salad and snack option. At the end of the week each group were tasked with making their lunch choices, involving a great deal of interesting experiments. Fantastic fun was had by all and perhaps we may have uncovered a few budding Jamie Oliver's!

The Christmas term is always fun, with the aim to involve the class in as many activities as possible. Principally, I would like to keep the children active in the outdoors with the Daily Mile / Activities, despite the expected weather challenges. Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing and footwear in order for this to take place.

Take care and please let know if you have any queries.
Regards, Mr Redpath

Auchnagatt House Captains for 2021 – 2022

	<u>Captain</u>	<u>Vice</u>
Braeside –	Alix	Tyler
Clochan –	Iona	Max
Knaven –	Jack	Noah
Savoch –	Stewart	Ava

Maths/Numeracy: The focus at the start of this term will involve decimals and their relation to place value. We will investigate what happens to the digits when these are multiplied and divided. As further knowledge is gained we will explore how this is relevant to everyday life with a focus on time, breaking down the minutes and seconds. As ever I hope to make this as practical as possible, so look out for the class investigations into the speed challenge!

Writing: The new term has already taken the class on a "Journey" with their writing, using the opening scene of the Polar Express as a stimulus. In the opening 5 minutes of the film your senses are awakened, imagining the crackle of the fire, the smell of the steam from the train and tasting the fresh snow on your tongue! The plan is for the class to create their own journey using fantastic description, fronted adverbials and once again building the confidence to edit their own work. Linking in with the "Enterprise" topic we will also aim to write a persuasive letter to the head teacher requesting some capital to start the business. Hopefully we will be successful in our goal.

Spelling: After a week off at the start of the term the spelling activities are now back in full force. With regular practice in class, the aim is to consolidate the hard work by spending around 10 minutes most evenings learning the words using a variety of games. Please upload at least one piece of work a week to show you are on the right track.

Topic: As mentioned previously the topic for this term is Enterprise, with the aim to create a small business selling a basic Christmas craft. The class will be involved in designing and creating the product, while being aware of the profit and loss along the way. I am sure this will be fun for all concerned.

Physical Education: We aim to continue with ball skills this term, with a particular tennis focus. The challenge will be to take this outside as much as possible, however we will see what the Scottish weather has in store.

Languages: Over the term I am keen to commence our French understanding, finding out what the class knows and developing this accordingly. In the meantime, feel free to access the below link, which allows you to explore languages in a fun way with all of the family involved.

<https://sites.google.com/view/northern-alliance-languages-fa/home>

Other Activities: We are lucky enough to continue having the support of Mrs Johnston in the class on a Monday and Wednesday. The focus this term will be on handwriting, continuing with an exploration into the world of Ancient Egypt! It will be fascinating to see what the class will discover!

Take Care. Mr Redpath

