

P5-7 Curricular Newsletter Term 1

P5-7 topic this term is Natural Disasters. The children have been learning about volcanoes, tornadoes, tsunamis and earthquakes. They have also been completing their own personal research on this topic area in preparation for presenting this information to the class at a later stage.

The curricular outcomes being covered are as follows:

I can describe the physical processes of a natural disaster and discuss its impact on people and the landscape. By comparing the local area with a contrasting area outwith Britain, I can investigate the main features of weather and climate, discussing the impact on living things.

Numeracy

Work on numeracy this term is focusing on place value and addition, as well as revision of multiplication facts.

P5	Place value to 10,000	Addition of 4-digit numbers
P6	Place value to 100,000	Addition of 5-digit numbers
P7	Place value to 1 million	Addition of 6-digit numbers

Literacy

The children have been reading a class novel "The Ballad of Able Sea Cat Simon", which tells the true of story of a brave cat who sailed on the HMS Amethyst and was awarded the Dickin medal. The children have been using this text to explore cross-curricular links.

P5	<u>Language</u> Adverbs Adjectives	<u>Writing</u> The children have been focussing on imaginative writing. The children will make use of their knowledge of adverbs and adjectives to enhance their descriptive writing. The children will be encouraged to use dictionaries to check the accuracy of their spelling and will begin to self-check their work.
P6	Onomatopoeia	
P7	<u>Reading skills:</u> Making Predictions Making links between the text and personal experience Inference	

Learning Across the Curriculum

<p>Visit to school from Coastguard- Water Safety Focus</p> <p>2 Music Workshops with Ms Marshall - Experimenting with different instruments to make sound. Creating a sound map of Tippetty School.</p> <p>Art with Mrs McLeish- Chuck Close art, drawing a self-portrait, use of watercolour.</p> <p>Science- seed dispersal (linked to gardening group) and water cycle. Science experiments- Tsunami, Earthquake and Tornado.</p>	<p>Trip to Aberdeen Science Centre- Volcano Workshop- linked to curricular focus of Natural Disasters.</p> <p>Trip to Aden Farming Museum</p> <p>PE- Badminton skills and Team games. French- Numbers to 30 Numbers to 100 Greetings, introductions.</p> <p><u>Working Groups</u> JRSO/Pupil Learning Council Gardening Group- winter vegetables planted and seeds collected for next year.</p> <p>Eco Group- Auchmacoy House Group Rotakids- Forvie House Group Health group- Ythan House Group</p>
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