

Happy New Year to you all! The children clearly enjoyed their Christmas holidays and enjoyed sharing their holiday news. They have now all settled back into our classroom routines and are enthusiastic about our busy term ahead!

#### Literacy

In writing, we will be breaking down parts of a story and looking at how to develop these, focussing on sentence starters, vocabulary and connectives. We will continue to work on joined up handwriting. This term each child will deliver a short talk (on a subject of their own choice). More information will be given nearer the time. As a whole class we are currently reading some of David Walliam's work.

## Numeracy

This term we will continue to work on addition and subtraction strategies, so that the children can perform quick mental calculations. We will also revisit the reading, writing and comparing of big numbers up to 1,000 and beyond. Work on Times Tables will be ongoing, particularly focussing on the 3 and 5 times tables. In Maths we will be working on Data Handling and 2D and 3D shape.

## Interdisciplinary Learning

Our topic is science-based this term and is called The Human Body and The Senses. The children will be learning about the major organs, the composition of our body and how it works and the controlling of germs. They will be carrying out experiments which will help them to understand how our senses work.

# Health & Wellbeing

PE days are Mondays and Wednesdays. We will also be aiming to complete the Daily Mile Challenge when we can. We will continue to develop positive friendships using Cool in School Strategies and will be using a computer program to learn more about Internet Safety.

#### Other Info

Bushcraft takes place on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February. We will be looking for some parents to come and help. More information will follow.

The children will have the chance to prepare and eat some Chinese food in our work on Chinese New Year and/or some Scottish shortbread as part of our Scottish celebrations.

In French this term, the children will be working on learning the vocabulary for foods and will have the chance to use our French Cafe in class. They will be making up menus to use in their role play.

Thank you for your continuing support.

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