

Happy New Year! In 2017, we look forward to new challenges and new learning, building on and continuing our hard work from last year.

<u>Literacy</u>

This term, we will be focusing on close reading of passages to enable us to answer more complex, inferential questions. We will begin a novel study in class, and each pupil has an individual reading book to read both in school and at home. In French, we will be looking at clothes and towns.

<u>Maths/Numeracy</u>

We will be developing much more confidence in working with fractions, decimal fractions and percentages, and extending our four processes to include decimal fractions too.

In maths, we will be working on measure and data handling.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Our topic this term is "The Rainforest". Pupils will be asked to research a rainforest creature and produce a personal project based on this as one of their homework tasks in February and March. We will be examining the ecosystem of the rainforest, the destruction of the rainforest, and why it matters to us here in Scotland.

The pupils will have a science week and a session from Generation Science on Lego Mindstorming.

Health and Wellbeing

Pupils will experience a "Discover Biking" day in Penicuik Park. They will also be encouraged, through their Rainforest work, to consider the impact of environmental issues on their own health and well being. P.E Tuesday and Wednesday **Music Specialist** -Tuesday Please ensure that your children complete their homework assignments and let me know of any issues e.g. - if access to a computer at home is difficult I can arrange time in school if necessary.

Thank you for your continuing support Mrs Dorren.