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Primary 7 Term 1 Newsletter

Welcome to Primary 7! The children have come back enthusiastic and excited to start their final year at Cornbank. The first two weeks of term have already been jam-packed full of exciting co-operative learning experiences. We have also been focussing on establishing P7 roles and responsibilities within and around the school.

Literacy

This term in writing we will be looking at discursive and persuasive pieces. In reading, the children will be using the Reading Box to experience reading for information across a range of genres. The class will also focus on reading for enjoyment and choice, using books from the library and taking part in daily reading time. In spelling, the children will be starting the Jolly Spelling and Grammar progression where each week they will learn new spelling patterns and rules.

Numeracy and Maths

To begin the term we will be recapping learning from Primary 6 with a large focus on multiplication and division strategies. Following on from this we will be developing a deeper understanding of how to work with fractions.

In maths, we will be looking at the vocabulary used to describe 2D and 3D shapes in our environment. This will include a large focus on the different parts of a circle.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Our topic this term is the Scottish Parliament. We have looked at the election process in the UK as a context for the House Captain Elections. The children enjoyed the run up to this and the campaigning process that ran alongside. Later in the term, P7 will be running the Book Fair as an Enterprise in the lead up to and during parental consultation week. In addition, P7 will experience a trip to Edinburgh College to take part in a STEM day with our local cluster Primary 7 classes. This will be a fantastic opportunity for the children to work alongside other children who will be attending Penicuik High School next year.

Health & Wellbeing

P7 classes have P.E. on Wednesday with Mrs Jones, and with me on a Tuesday. Please ensure that your child has full kit in school at all times. Over the past few weeks, the children have been learning about the importance of setting an example of appropriate behaviour to the rest of the school. So far, the children have excelled in this and have set a high standard for themselves for the rest of the year.

Home Learning & Dates for Diaries

09.09.19	LOLs issued
16.09.19	Holiday
17.09.19	In-service Day
20.09.19	Pupil Voice 1
25.09.19	One Planet Picnic
26.09.19	Edinburgh College STEM Day
26.09.19	LOLs returned
08/10.10.19	Parental Consultations

Due to a busy first term in Primary 7 and a changing weekly timetable the children will have no set reading homework this term. Instead children are encouraged to read for enjoyment at home 2/3 times per week.

I have been very impressed with what a lovely year group this Primary 7 are, and am looking forward to helping them through their last year at Cornbank. If you have any queries, please get in touch. Thank you for your ongoing support. Miss Denholm