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Welcome back after our October break. It was lovely to meet you all at our first in person parents' consultations. What an exciting start we have had to our new term. Primary 6 thoroughly enjoyed our Halloween celebrations, participating in lots of different themed activities. We have a busy term ahead with, dare I say it, the run up to 'Christmas' fast approaching.

Literacy

We are continuing to practise our spelling weekly in class. We use a range of strategies to help with this. For example, brainstorming other words with this week's sound, defining words and lots of active tasks such as testing a partner; one of primary 6's favourites is spelling noughts and crosses, especially when we take this practice outside.

In writing, we have focused on producing good quality imaginative pieces, with an emphasis placed on the character and setting descriptions. We will move onto looking at report writing linked to our natural disasters topic. In reading, we have been focusing on our comprehension skills especially summarising. Weekly reading will continue to be issued every Tuesday. Details of this will continue to be posted on Google Classroom.

Interdisciplinary learning

Prior to the end of last term, we began our natural disasters topic. We focused on the structure of the earth and hurricanes, also learning about the recent hurricane Ian in Florida. Children worked in groups to create a news report which we filmed and edited using IMovie. We will continue our learning in this topic and cover volcanoes, tsunamis and earthquakes.

Numeracy and Maths

In numeracy, we have focused on place value, ordering and partitioning whole numbers and decimals. Children have learned how to use the partition strategy to help with doubling and halving. They will move onto use this method to help with multiplication.

We continue to practise our Maths Basic Facts weekly, which has an emphasis placed on speed of number bonds and times tables. Any extra practice of this at home would be helpful.

In maths, we have gone over both 2D and 3D shape properties, tiling and symmetry. We will now focus on data handling linked to our natural disasters topic.

Health & Wellbeing

Our P.E. day this term will continue to be a Tuesday. We have focused on team games and building relationships in our new P6 class. We will move onto gymnastics and Scottish dancing.

This term we will be covering the Sex Ed part of RHSP and will have weekly lessons on this on Thursdays. Children will have an opportunity to ask questions anonymously through our class question box, but may wish to ask questions relating to this at home too.

Dates for Diaries

Every Thursday from 03.11.22 - 15.12.22 RSHP Sex Ed lessons

01.12.22 School photographer

08.12.22 Edinburgh College careers in childcare

09.12.22 Christmas fair

20.12.22 Last day of term

Thank you for your ongoing support. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to get in touch with me through the school office.

Miss Johnstone