



# Cornbank Primary School

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## Primary 5/6 Term 3 Newsletter

Welcome back to our final term of Primary 5/6, and after almost 2 years, our final term together. It is going to be an incredibly busy one with lots of hard work, but also lots of fun to be had before summer. Here's hoping the rare Scottish sunshine appears for us too!

### Literacy

We are starting with a class novel this term and will be reading this together, digging deeper into themes and characters and analysing the author's techniques and choices. There will not be a reading book sent home during this time but it would be great if all learners were reading a book of choice at home and at silent reading time each morning. We will also be reading for information during our topic about The Olympics. For writing we are focussing on persuasive writing before moving on to reports, posters and imaginative writing - all linked to our topic. We will continue to do weekly spelling with a mini test each Friday.

### Numeracy and Maths

Our main Numeracy focus is fractions, decimals & percentages where we will recap addition and subtraction, rounding, and multiplication and division skills from this year as well as learning some new concepts and knowledge. We will continue to use Basic Facts to improve our quick recall. In Maths we will focus on Data Handling and Measure, linking to our new digital project (see right).

### Health & Wellbeing

PE this term will continue to be on a Tuesday afternoon and on a Thursday morning with a focus on Athletics. In the lead up to Sports Day, there will also be opportunities to try out a range of athletic events. There will also be a wide range of sports and activities available during Health Fortnight. Please continue to bring a P.E. kit **every week**. For those coming to camp, it is all sounding very exciting with activities such as raft building, abseiling and night hikes planned.

### Digital

As part of the 'Internet of Things' project with Edinburgh University, P5 and P5/6 have been given 2 sensors to place in a location of their choice. These monitor CO<sub>2</sub>, humidity, temperature, light levels and motion. This data is shown on a dashboard which we can access and analyse. We will be working alongside Mrs Ross, our Learning Technologist, to view this data, ask questions and use it to promote data literacy.



As always, please do not hesitate to get in touch with any questions or queries. Thank you for your continued support.  
Becky Young

### Topic/IDL

This term our IDL focus is the Olympics. We will compare Olympics of the past and present, explore the Olympic values: Excellence, Respect and Friendship, and have opportunities to find out about sporting events, athletes and nations involved in this impressive sporting event. We are very excited to explore this topic in the run up to the Paris 2024 Games this summer!