

Danestone Primary School P6/7 Class News – October 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian

Welcome to term 2 at Danestone! I hope that everyone had a wonderful October holiday and had a chance to relax. It has been wonderful to hear about all of the things the class has been up to!

What will we be learning this term?

Literacy

For reading, we will be continuing to learn and practise the 6 comprehension skills to help our understanding of the book's story through group reading sessions, which will improve children's reading and understanding. We will be continuing to focus on fluency, accuracy and expression and will practise asking each other questions about the book to give our understanding more depth. We will be developing our written comprehension by learning the PEE strategy for giving detailed, evidence answers. For writing, we will be working on character description and will be developing our ability to describe appearance, personality, aspirations and motivations.

Numeracy

This term's numeracy work will focus on data handling as well as fractions, decimals and percentages, which will link into our context as pupils display and calculate data. There will continue to be an emphasis on practising and understanding the 4 operations: adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing. We will be developing these skills through written work, active maths, outdoor learning and online activities.

Health and Wellbeing

This term, P6/7 will be exploring what "healthy" and "achieving" means, including what makes a balanced diet and understanding how growth mindset can be applied to learning. This will link to our work on the UNCRC, where we will be discussing how other children around the world's rights are being met.

P.E. this term will be on Tuesday and Wednesday. Where possible, these will take place outside so please ensure your child comes dressed with appropriate footwear and a coat for chilly weather.

Primary 6/7 will be sharing our learning regularly on the school website, Seesaw app and Twitter (@missdocherty5). Please feel free to interact with any of our posts - the pupils love to see grown-ups being involved and excited about their learning!

Please note: After discussion with the pupils about the days they are most busy, our homework will be set on a Tuesday to be returned the following Monday this term. This is to allow extra time over the weekend for pupils who prefer to work then, but please be assured that there is no expectation for pupils to be completing homework during non-school days. Homework can be found in the "Classwork" section of pupils' Google Classroom, and can be handed in on the same assignment. Please get in touch if there are any concerns or questions.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to get in touch with the school at DanestoneSchool@aberdeencity.gov.uk.

Thank you, I am looking forward to another fantastic term!

Miss Docherty