

Danestone Primary School Class News - January 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to a new year and another busy term! I hope that you all had a wonderful festive season and had some quality time with friends and family.

Literacy:

We will continue using our Wrap Around Spelling programme this term. We are going to be focusing on poetry, instructional, persuasive and narrative storytelling. The focus will also be on how we can up-level our sentences by using our VCOP rules. If you would like to support your child at home, please encourage reading for pleasure and discuss any good descriptions of settings and characters that you read together.

Numeracy:

Please continue to revise your 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10 times tables at home. We will be looking at division facts and also start to learn the 6 and 7 times tables. Our topic maths will be focused on angle and symmetry, 2D and 3D shapes, their properties and working with money.

Context:

We will be covering two topics this term called 'The World Beyond' and 'Our Planet and Beyond'. We will be looking at our local community, Scotland, what food we produce here and compare it to other parts of the world and why it is different or similar. We will also be investigating how living things adapt to the climate in any chosen area, for example the rain forest and the desert. The children will be learning about how the earth rotates around the sun, day and night, the different stages of the moon and how technologies, by meeting our needs and wants, affect the environment in which we live.

P.E and Outdoor learning:

Our P.E days will now be on a **Tuesday** and a **Thursday**. We will try and do it outdoors depending on the weather, so please keep this in mind when you send your child to school. We will also try to do as much outdoor learning and activities as possible, so the children should have suitable clothing and shoes on for this as well. Our Willow Den time will be on a Thursday.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns about your child, please do not hesitate to get in touch: <u>DanestoneSchool@aberdeencity.gov.uk</u>. Follow us on <u>Twitter</u> (<u>@EloffMrs</u>), have a look at your child's Seesaw account and the school website for regular class updates from P4.

Kind regards, Mrs C. Eloff