



MARCH-APRIL 2024 NEWSLETTER

LITERACY

Creative writing: We will be writing a letter to the prime minister persuading the government to import more Fairtrade goods to the UK.

Reading: All groups are working hard on their reading- keep it up. Please come prepared to school on your reading day. Encourage your child to adopt a love for reading. They should be reading their Accelerated Reading book at home and completing their quiz in school.

Shared Reading: We are working hard to finish our Viking class novel Grim Gruesome.

Talking & Listening: Your child will take part in a Fairtrade debate before the end of term. They will be asked to take on the role of one of the major stakeholders involved in Fairtrade and work with a partner to present their side of the argument.

NUMERACY

Decimals

We will be learning about decimals. Pupils must have good knowledge of Place Value and understand that the tenths column is tenths (1/10) and links to fractions.

Ten tenths = 1 unit.

We will be learning to add/subtract/multiply & divide decimals.

Negative numbers

We will be learning where negative numbers are used eg) Thermometer, lift, sea levels, bank accounts etc. We will be learning how to add and subtract involving negative numbers.
Eg) $3 - 7 = -4$

Percentages

Children should understand the relationship between percentages, decimals and fractions.

Eg) $25\% = 0.25 = \frac{1}{4}$, $10\% = 0.1 = \frac{1}{10}$

(A table of all these facts is in the Spellings & Tables jotter)

They will be learning how to find a percentage of a quantity eg) 50% of 500, 25% of 100, 10% of 1000.
(This will also allow us to revise division)

They will be learning how to calculate percentage increase and decrease.

Eg) 10% off in a sale. How much does the item cost now?

P.E

We have a **Cricket Blitz** fun day at Foyle College on Thursday 18th April 9:30-2pm. All pupils will require a packed lunch on this day. If your child receives a Free School Meal and you wish the canteen to make a packed lunch for your child please make class teacher aware. All pupils wear sporty bottoms and Ebrington tshirt/sweatshirt on this day and come with plenty of water and snacks. Warm fleece/coat as there could be some waiting around between games and it is all outdoors.

Normal PE will continue to be on a Tuesday.

THE WORLD AROUND US

School Trip to Oakgrove Integrated College Wednesday 20th March 2024. Leaving school at 9:15 sharp, returning to school for normal lunch. Wear full Ebrington uniform.

March

As part of our 'Raiders & Traders' topic we will be learning about 'Fairtrade.'

-What is Fairtrade?

-What foods/items are part of the Fairtrade co-operative?

-How does being part of Fairtrade help farmers?

-How do our choices have a global impact?

-How does climate change affect food production, and so, affect farmers?

HOMEWORK

Keep supporting and encouraging your child with their written and reading homework.

Keep encouraging your child to do their Accelerated Reading. I hope it's all going well at home.

Praise were it is due...Primary 6 pupils have been doing very well with their homeworks. Continue with this great routine, parents please check over your child's homework and sign it and write a comment to teacher if you wish.

Please keep revising times tables and ensuring your child knows their table facts really well. It is also imperative that your child revises the four main operations to keep their skills sharp! These are addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We would encourage you to write out sums for your child to complete at home.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

St Patrick's Day 18th March- No school

Easter Holidays- Wed 27th March at 12 noon

***African Drumming concert Wed 27th March**

6A- 10:00-10:30

6B- 11:15- 11:45 (In assembly hall)

Term 3 begins- Monday 8th April.

Looking ahead in the diary:

1st Bank Holiday- Monday 6th May

Mid-Term Break- Week of Monday 27th May

As always, if there is anything you wish to talk to your child's teacher about don't hesitate to make contact.

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