



## Year 6 Term 1 2024



**Dear Parents and Carers** 

Welcome to Term 1 of 2024. We have had a fabulous start to the learning year and are very impressed with the way all students have settled into their new classroom surroundings and their final year at Macgregor Primary School. Both classes have started the new year with activities based on cooperation and 'getting to know you', created class agreements, established routines, and discussed expectations that will lay a platform for a fun and successful year of learning.

As parents you have valuable knowledge of your child's individual interests, strengths and needs. We look forward to continuing a productive partnership with you.

#### **Mathematics**

This term, students will be given many hands-on opportunities to understand and

- Place value

explore:

- Prime, composite and square numbers
- 4 operations including addition, subtraction, multiplication and division
- Converting between units of length
- Time and timetabling.

## **STEM**

In STEM, students will explore bacteria and microorganisms, understanding their role in supporting life on a microscopic level. They'll use technology to design educational games for younger audiences, teaching key concepts about these organisms. By term's end, they'll have a deeper understanding and will have shared their knowledge through engaging games.

## **English**

## Writing

Throughout the term, students will create texts elaborating on key ideas for a range of purposes and audiences. They will be explicitly taught writing skills which will be practised and then applied in different situations. The main focus for students this term will be persuasive and informative.

#### Reading

This term, students will be focussing on 'making connections' and developing their understanding of connection to text, self and world. Students will also focus on inferring.

## Spelling & Grammar

During spelling students will engage in a variety of lessons that will be focussing on graphemes and phonemes.

In grammar lesson there will be a heavy focus on sentence structure and the differences between the types of sentences.

#### W@M—Wellbeing at Macgregor

Our W@M lessons this term will focus on autonomy and ways to display leadership.

#### Integrated Inquiry Unit

This term, during Civics and Citizenship, we have begun looking at our Parliamentary System and how a democratic society works. Students will be exploring the ins and outs of how our country is governed and some of its key features.

During Science lessons students will be engaging in our unit Marvellous Micro-organisms. They will have a range of hands on opportunities to learn how different living conditions can affect the growth of certain bacteria.

# Library

Students will have the opportunity to attend library on a Friday morning with their classroom teacher.

#### Band

Band session will be on a Monday and Wednesday afternoon session this year. Student have a new band teacher with them this year from the IMP and James Orr with be the school teacher working with the students this year.

#### **Physical Education & Health**

Students will be involved in regular P.E. sessions throughout the week with the opportunity to refine and further develop a wide range of fundamental movement skills in more complex movement patterns and situations.

A variety of cooperative games will provide an opportunity for students to consolidate their learning and apply rules fairly and behave ethically when participating in different physical activities and games.

## The Arts

Students will engage in a range of visual art lessons that align with other learning over the term.

## **Dates to Remember**

Welcome BBQ - 19 February, Week 4 Swimming Carnival - 26 February, Week 5

Think U Know - 5 March, Week 6 Cross Country - 4 April, Week 10

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