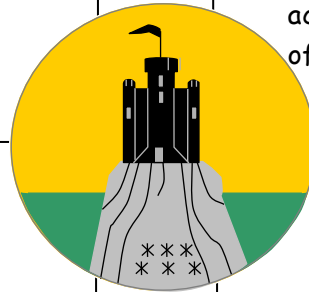


### Ethos and Life of the School

- We will continue to discuss the UNICEF rights of the child, select relevant articles and add to our class charter.
- P6 are continuing in their role as positive Playground Buddies assisting infant classes and building relationships.
- P6 have begun Shared Reading and we have enjoyed meeting our new P1 partners and look forward to supporting them.
- We are concentrating on achieving our School Aim and Values where all children feel happy, healthy and safe with a focus on being all different, all equal.
- P4-7 will participate in a Citizenship group of their choice for 4 consecutive weeks.

### Opportunities for Personal Achievement

- Please remember to encourage your child to bring in and share any personal achievements from home and we will celebrate their success (Golden folder, learning folio, at assembly etc.)
- Your child will review individual targets for Maths and Writing as well as their Personal Target linked to resilience as a skill for life.
- In addition, children will have the opportunity to be acknowledged through our Wardie Stars and Celebration of Success assemblies.



### How you can help us?

- Remember that an outdoor and indoor P.E. kit should be brought in on Mondays, Tuesdays & Wednesdays.
- With the changeable weather it is important every child has a pair of indoor shoes which they can change into on arrival to school. These may be their gym shoes.
- We will be getting outdoors for learning as much as possible so please make sure your child has a suitable coat each day.
- Wellington boots are necessary for playing on the field as it's very muddy.
- Thank you for your ongoing support with our whole school 'ReWardie' Time and please remind your child toys from home will not be required.
- We would like to involve parents and carers in the planning process and we invite you to share any ideas that you may have by responding to our planning letter.

### How you can you help your child?

Please continue to encourage your child to become independent and support their learning at home.

- Revise the weekly spelling words issued on a Tuesday to be completed by the following Monday.
- There will be a variety of tasks to support reading at home. Please encourage reading sections aloud to promote fluency and expression. Discussing texts and asking questions will aid understanding and the development of new vocabulary.
- Although there will be a range of maths homework tasks throughout the term, it would also be beneficial to keep focussing on quick and accurate recall of number facts.
- Where possible, help make connections to maths in the real world to appreciate its relevance and importance.
- Please support the Charades production by practising at home, further information will follow.

### English and Literacy

We will explore different genre (letters, narratives, poetry, posters) within writing this block. We are focussing on developing VCOP and writer's tricks linked to Language Targets. We will begin Literature Circles.

We will continue to encourage children to develop a consistent handwriting style with a focus on joining throughout their learning.

Spelling will be taught each week and will be reinforced through homework activities.

Reading books will be sent home weekly. There will be a range of activities to encourage engagement with the text and develop understanding.

Class teachers will continue to integrate French language within weekly routines and include topic related vocabulary wherever possible.



### Primary 6

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### Curriculum Information for Parents

#### Interdisciplinary Learning (IDL)

This term we will build on our learning about The Solar System with a focus on Forces and Friction.

We will begin our Enterprise project to design, create and market occasion cards. We plan to advertise these in different ways (website, assemblies, posters) and then offer these for sale at the Christmas Activity Morning (2/12/17). This will incorporate learning in technology, ICT, Art, Numeracy & Maths and English & Literacy. Teamwork, planning and organisation will be key elements in this experience helping us to develop skills for work.

### Numeracy and Maths

We will continue to develop number skills with daily practise incorporated into Maths lessons.

This block we will focus on:

- Factors, Multiples, Primes
- Division
- Fractions, Decimals, Percentages
- Money & Finance
- Mental agility
- We will use ICT to enhance learning through SumDog and ipad apps. Logons and passwords can be issued by class teachers if required.

### Health and Wellbeing

We will enjoy P.E. sessions with one or both of our specialist teachers, Ms Wheatley and Mrs Ramm, and also participate in the Wardie Mile to improve our fitness. The whole school focus on developing resilience will continue to help us learn to tackle challenging situations confidently. This Block's focus is on keeping connected and maintaining positive relationships especially in the playground. There are supported play areas, in the playground, where adults will provide additional support to encourage positive play.

### Other Curricular Areas

All classes will enjoy working with Mr Craighead our Music Specialist on Tuesday. Brass tuition with Mr Calpin and violin with Mr Horvath will continue on Wednesdays. P6F & P6M will enjoy the benefit of our art specialist Ms Shivas on Thursdays. We will develop our knowledge of important dates in the Christian calendar and focus on World Religions later in the session. Towards the end of November, the Charades Theatre Group will visit school to work with the children to introduce the Burke and Hare production in advance of the performance in January. This will form a main focus for learning in art, music and drama.