

P7 News

At the start of October, P7 had a fantastic day at Drummond High School as part of the transition process. This was an opportunity to work with Drummond pupils in a Science lab designing and constructing a water transport system.

As part of our learning this term, the P7s have been involved in an interactive workshop with a Parliamentary Outreach Officer. They had the opportunity to vote and debate, which provided a real-life experience that they all enjoyed.

We have been improving our Rugby skills with a specialist coach from BATS rugby. These are taster lessons which the pupils seem to enjoy.

P7 have had another great opportunity to spend time at Drummond recently. They were invited to attend a breakfast followed by a treasure hunt. This was a great chance to get to know the school layout better.

Independent Learning

P7 pupils continue to build on their Independent Learning skills. They are learning to manage their own time and prioritise tasks.

P7 Jobs

The pupils continue to set a great example to the rest of the school through their jobs. They are doing a fantastic job as buddies to P1, supporting them in developing their social skills.

Gym Kit

All children must have a complete change of clothes for gym. Please ensure that they have a change of t-shirt, shorts or joggers and gym shoes all named and in a named gym bag. Where possible we are encouraging children to wear PE t-shirts in their house colours.
*Please wear outdoor kit on Monday for rugby.

P7 Visit from School Estate Planning Officer

As a conclusion to inter-disciplinary learning last term, P7 planned, designed and created models outlining their visions for the Powderhall site. This term, they then had a follow-up visit from Elaine Watson, the School Estate Planning Officer. This was an excellent opportunity for the pupils to be a part of the community planning process as she listened to their presentations, heard their views and photographed their models.

All of this information will be used as feedback for the planners and architects.

P7 Term 2 Newsletter

Homework

Spelling homework is weekly, given out on Monday to be returned by Friday. Reading homework will focus on reading for enjoyment, encouraging choice and is self-differentiated. There are a range of books in class that children can borrow however we do encourage trips to the library as well. This is monitored and tracked in school on a daily basis, alongside our Guided Reading programme. Pupils have a Reading Passport to record their reads and as a school we are partaking in the First Ministers Reading Challenge. Challenge homework will continue to be issued every four weeks with activities suggested by pupils.

Discrete Subjects

This term pupils will use Christmas as a context for exploring how religious beliefs impact Scottish society.

The pupils will also be exploring story writing looking at characters, setting, structure and writers craft. In ICT we will continue to develop skills for coding, powerpoint, research and word. In maths we are working on fractions, measurement and shape.

Interdisciplinary Learning

This term, P7 will focus on two interdisciplinary contexts for topical work. The first focus will be on Democracy and Scottish Parliament. Pupils will have the opportunity to research and debate current issues within Scottish society. As part of the whole school science focus this term, P7 will also be learning about Genetics. This will cover themes of inheritance, ethical viewpoints and the impact of scientific discoveries on the world we live in.

Ethos and Wider Life of the School

At Broughton we are very proud of the many ways that we help each other, develop awareness of our world and learn to be responsible citizens.

* We are currently reviewing our behavior framework to focus on the need to:

Be **safe** in school

Behave with **respect** in school

Have the right to **learn** in school

Planned Opportunities for Wider Development

In P7, we have the opportunity to learn through a variety of different experiences. With this in mind, this term the pupils will experience

* The Risk Factory - they will encounter real-life dangerous scenarios where they need to make sensible decisions in a high pressure situation.

*Ceilidh - as another transition opportunity, P7 will take part in a cluster ceilidh at Drummond High School. This will give pupils a chance to meet other pupils from other schools.

Whole	Anti-Bullying Week - 12 th - 16 th Nov
School	Children in Need - 16 th Nov
Events	Road Safety Week - 19 th - 23 rd Nov
	Scots Poetry Assembly - 27 th Nov
	School closes - 21 st Dec