

Further information about the Recovery Curriculum

Health and Wellbeing:

- We are using specific Rainbow Recovery materials produced by Dumfries and Galloway Council to guide our return to school approach.
- In the first few weeks of term, a mini 'hub' area was set up to support pupils requiring more nurturing/1-1 experiences.
- A new Positive Relationships policy has been trialled in one class. We have asked the Parent Council to help with the development of this and we will continue to work on this next term. We are also reviewing our anti-bullying policy.
- All classes are using the Emotion Works Recovery programme (<https://www.emotionworks.org.uk/about/>).
- All the children have benefitted from an additional Health and Wellbeing break in the afternoon.
- The children have enjoyed PE lessons with Mr Law, Mr McNay, Julie Tyson from Active Schools and their class teachers.
- After the holiday we will be focussing on the Health and Wellbeing Indicators – SHANARRI (Safe, Healthy, Achieving, Nurtured, Active, Respectful, Responsible, Included).

Literacy

- Each class has been studying a class book using Power of Reading materials to engage children and support creative learning and teaching (<https://clpe.org.uk/powerofreading>).
- We held a 'Love of Reading' month in September/October drawing on participation in the 'Reading is Magic' festival, introducing the First Minister's Reading Challenge, competitions, surveys and more.
- We are working with schools in our cluster to improve Spelling attainment.

Numeracy

- All staff have received training on using the updated Big Maths Online resource to support our Numeracy Curriculum. We are using Big Maths online to identify learning gaps for individual pupils and support interventions, e.g. Recovery Teacher groups.
- Children now have access to Times Tables Rockstars or Numbots, as well as SumDog, to support their attainment in Numeracy. These online resources can be accessed from home. Logins for all online resources with home access will be sent home after the holidays.
- Wallace Hall Primary's Maths Week Scotland was postponed due to the 'Love of Reading' month and a fun Maths fortnight will happen after the October break.

Assessment

- It has been important to undertake assessment using standardised tools and teacher assessment to understand pupils' current attainment and next steps.
- Our Additional Support for Learning Teacher met all staff early in the term and helped to plan specific recovery group interventions.

Technologies/ Digital Learning

- All classes have a Class Team and we use Teams for collaboration, e.g. Assemblies, House Captains speeches. An in-school and hopefully cluster voluntary working party are looking at how to develop the use of Office 365 and Teams across the cluster.
- We are investigating approaches to support children's skill development in ICT from P1 to P7.
- The Parent Council have purchased a webcam and microphone for all classes to support collaboration between classes, possibly across cluster, using Teams.

Wider life of the School

- House Captains and the Pupil Council have been appointed this term. P7 responsibility roles will be appointed soon.
- We have been focussing on the 8C 'Citizenship' this term. The children have all understood that we all have an individual responsibility to demonstrate good citizenship and that small positive actions can make a big difference e.g. picking up a piece of litter, casting one vote, making one person smile. Next term we will be focussing on the 8C 'Communication'.
- Next term, our Action Groups will resume. These groups began in February 2020 and had only just got going when the schools closed. Pupils lead the Action Groups and it is their opportunity to take on a project to contribute to the wider life of the school. Usually, these groups are made up of children from different classes but due to the Covid-19 restrictions each class will have its own wider school focus:
 - P1 and P2: Joint project to develop their Outdoor Area
 - P3: Playground developers
 - P4: Polytunnel and gardening
 - P5: Wider Achievements
 - P6: Rights Respecting Schools
 - P7: Eco and Communicators