

Year 7 Newsletter- November

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Dear Parents,

During this month of November, we will be covering...

Literacy – Talking and Listening – linked with previous PDMU work on how to be an effective learner, especially in Reading. Skills of ‘Thinking Back’, ‘Thinking About’, ‘Thinking it Through’ practiced. Reading Detective power points created. ‘Eureka’ story linked to capacity work in Numeracy. Diary Writing and creating ‘blogs’.

Numeracy – investigating imperial measures still in use today, converting them to their metric equivalent and creating conversion graphs showing results. Pupils formulating their own questions relating to their graph work. Revision of angles up to 180 degrees and internal angles. Extending to use of 360 degree protractor and external angles (programming Probot to create shapes and patterns). Algebra – using brackets within algebraic expressions and expressing multiplying and division in algebra.

World Around Us – presenting Act Locally, Think Globally projects and respond to their own work and the work of others through ‘blogs’. Planning stage for inventions to make the world an easier and better place for all.

PDMU – showing use of the identified skills for learning within everyday activities in school. Awareness of the needs of others when discussing and planning their new invention.

RE – 5 Mysteries of Light, important and memorable events in the life of Jesus. Exploring iconography of saints (how they are made, details required, etc.) and creating their own icon of a chosen saint.

Art – Iconography, creating diagrams of inventions (elevation/cross-section/side views) and importance of labelling in diagram work.

Library –

P7a – 18<sup>th</sup> Nov. @ 1.45pm

P7b – 4<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> Nov. @ 1.45pm

P7c – 11<sup>th</sup> Nov. @ 1.45pm

Entrance exam for local grammar schools takes place on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November. We wish all our candidates well. Good luck, folks.

Sun. 21<sup>st</sup> November - Screening of the new Harry Potter film for P7 pupils in aid of Cancer Research. Just to say that the screening is in Cookstown cinema, not Maghera as previously reported.

Miss Carr

Mrs. O’Neill

Mrs. Boyle