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"When you believe in yourself, anything is possible."

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"A people without the knowledge of their past history, origin and culture is like a tree without roots."
Marcus Garvey



CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

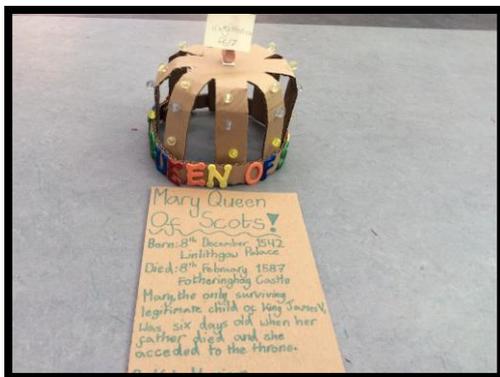
The purpose of this is to keep you updated with curricular developments that have been happening at our school.

OUR HISTORICAL WORLD

Every class studied a historical based theme at the start of this term. This has included contexts of Wallace & Bruce, Mary, Queen of Scots and The Jacobites to ensure that we are teaching pupils about Scottish Heritage.

Whole School Challenge

Our whole school challenge for Our Historical World showed fantastic creativity. Pupils were asked to create a memorial statue, monument or plaque dedicated to someone or something from Scottish History – and they didn't disappoint!! Thank you to all our parents who were able to attend the open afternoon to see these amazing creations. A big thank you to Mrs. Harper for organising this whole school challenge.



"Here is what I made for the whole school challenge. It is a crown that represents Mary Queen of Scots. I liked that I was able to choose any part of Scottish history and explore it. My favourite part was getting to be creative with my designs and then seeing it on display." Katy P6/7

Scottish Opera Production: 1719



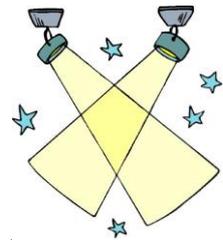
As part of P5's study on 'The Jacobites', they all participated in this year's Scottish Opera production of 1719 along with P6. This fantastic experience took pupils back in time to one of the most dramatic periods in Scottish History; the Jacobite risings.

"It gave me more knowledge of the history at that time. I really enjoyed the singing and performing."
Michael

"The hard work really paid off as all the steps we took made us proud of what we achieved." Pola



Spotlight on History



Social Studies Curriculum: People, Past Events & Societies

Participating in historical studies will enable children to:

- Develop their understanding of the history, heritage and culture of Scotland, and an appreciation of their local and national heritage within the world
- Broaden their understanding of the world by learning about human activities and achievements in the past and present
- Explore and evaluate different types of sources and evidence
- Learn how to locate, explore and link periods, people and events in time and place

Information for Parents	Useful Websites for Children	Places of Interest in Aberdeen for more historical learning
<p>More information for parents can be found by clicking on the following link, selecting 'learning at home' from the menu then selecting 'social studies'</p> <p>https://education.gov.scot/parentzone/learning-in-scotland/curriculum-areas</p>	<p>https://www.bbc.co.uk/history/forks/</p> <p>http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/websites/4_11/site/history.shtml</p> <p>https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/category/discover/history/</p> <p>http://www.historyforkids.net/</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Gordon Highlanders Museum • Aberdeen Maritime Museum • St. Machar Cathedral/Old Aberdeen • Footdee (Fittie) • The Tollbooth Museum • Provost Skene's House



P4H visited the Gordon Highlanders Museum as part of the Arts Across Learning festival. Further information can be found by visiting our class page on our school website.

Here are our best bits:

"Looking through the periscope in the trench. That was cool!" Chris

"Making some trench art for someone was really good fun!"

Anna

"I liked that we could make our own speeches that the General would say to the soldiers." Tess

As part of their study on Me and My Family, the nursery children talked to their parents and grandparents about their favourite toys they used to play with when they were young.

