

Whitburn Cluster

Snow Days report December 2010

Activities undertaken by staff as directed by the HTs

- Daily Plans for week beginning 6th Dec.
- Topic research for topics coming up in the new term.
- Made a Christmas quiz competition.
- Made, laminated and cut out Christmas loop cards.
- Researched drugs education resources using bizzikids.co.uk and ThinkuKnow websites.
- Viewed online best practice examples for RME and Health and Well Being using LTScotland website.
- Researched Formative Assessment strategies using LTScotland and HMle websites.
- Lesson planning – problem solving puzzle created linked to number patterns/sequences, www.transum.org website researched. Powerpoint presentation was created.
- Lesson planning – anti sectarianism in Scotland, researched LTS website and nilbymouth.org. Powerpoint presentation with info was created. Activities (story, discussion, freeze frame) were planned.
- Forward planning –topic plan for WW2 to start in January.
- Arts and Crafts Club – activity for club planned and prepared – Materials were prepared (templates drawn and cardboard cut out). An example of finished piece was created (Christmas pom pom).
- Champions in School – correspondence with organiser via e – mail re activity booklets for pupils and preparation for visits by reading the teacher's manual.
- Scottish week research – www.itchy-coo.co.uk website researched (for vocabulary and lesson ideas, appropriate for Burn's Week as well). – www.sculwab.org.uk/resources/ website researched for vocabulary, lesson ideas and songs and poems.
- GTCS Probationer profile – updated profile with all relevant information.
- NAR website and resources were accessed and researched.
- Exploration of GLOW.
- Reading CfE to familiarise with outcomes early level.
- Worked on Learners Journals - preparation for completion when back in school.
- Researched 'Rights and Responsibilities' through LTS and Unicef websites.
- Cut out Christmas crafts.
- Laminating materials.
- Familiarisation of working with GLOW.

- Livingston Village PS Guidance on assessing pupil writing. (Assessing, monitoring and tracking progress. Email to and received e-mails from LVPS HT.
- Familiarisation of NAR for CfE.
- ASN National Advocacy Service and Sources of info – reading on line.
- CfE and Assessment online reading.
- Prepared a Christmas Maths booklet and a Christmas hand control booklet.
- Planned homework for January.
- Researched appropriate Maths and Language websites for resources / ideas.
- Worked on GTC profile – signed things off, key strengths, ideas for action plan.
- Looked at TJ Maths.
- Made Maths games.
- Worked on GLOW for familiarisation.
- Formed Daily Plans for 1st week back in January.
- Early Years working party – made a table of outcomes for each topic.
- Searched for Literacy and Numeracy activities on TES website.
- Print, cut, and laminate -dominoes, cvc loop card game, upper case/lower case loop cards, writing prompts, weekly monitor's poster.
- Updated forward plans folder.
- Professional reading – teaching effective vocabulary paper. Designed resources for Christmas lunch menu and party placemat.
- Used CfE folder for E&O Level 1 for Egypt topic. Made an interdisciplinary plan for Egypt for next block plan.
- Professional reading on Autism. New child joined class.
- Preparation completed for Scottish Poetry competition.
- PE forward planning using internet, Tess etc.
- Planning Sports Education Challenges for P6/7.
- Planning and making Support for Learning resources in anticipation of covering SfL until Christmas holidays.
- Preparation for P5 Maternity cover – E&Os & topics covered curriculum content at 2nd level in CfE.
- P7 French Christmas assessment.
- Used Writing experiences and outcomes to write new targets for First and Second Level to be used in P4, 5, 6, 7.
- Updated Polkemmet PS GLOW pages.
- Updated RME Glow Group.
- Used cookbooks to add items onto pages and to groups.
- Professional reading 'Creating Tomorrow's Schools Today' – Richard Gerver.
- Professional Reading for Chartered Teacher Course.
- Professional reading on Behaviour Management.

- Compiled a slide show with music of photographs using Moviemaker. Movie uploaded onto e - twinning website for project 'A Work of Art Marathon.
- Researched in NAR for appropriate materials for 2nd level. Prepared Peer Mediation materials for commencement in January.
- Researched internet for Victorian resources.
- Loaded pupil names onto Education City in order to track progress.
- Research and preparation for HMle.
- Investigating methods of tracking progress through CfE levels.