

## Message from Miss Smith -

The students in the DP have made an excellent return to school this half term. All students have made a seamless transition into their mainstream form groups and it is lovely to see students integrating with the wider school community. In lessons students are working extremely hard and below is an outline of what we have been studying, and will be studying in our next half term.

## What the students are learning in

English	In English, we will be looking at non-fiction and articles on natural disasters. The students will be
_	exploring the language used and practicing their comprehension, annotation and locating and
	retrieving skills.
Maths	In maths, we will be exploring fractions. Students will be identifying and finding fractions of an
	amount, ordering fractions and adding fractions.
Science	Next half term in science students will be exploring microbes.
Computer	In computer science, students will be using their IT skills to create a CV.
Science	
Humanities	In humanities, students will be studying the world ecosystems. This includes the cold tundra,
	rainforest and hot deserts. Students will study animals and plants and how they have adapted to
	these conditions.
Spanish	In Spanish, we are learning how to say what subjects we study at school and our opinions.
	We discuss nouns, adjectives and sentence structure.
Duke of	This term, students will be participating in a range of activities to increase their community
Edinburgh	participation. This includes litter picking.
Drama	In drama, students have been studying spatial awareness, developing listening skills and voice
	control.
Life skills	Students will be exploring at managing their money. This includes budgeting, how to look after
	your money and the link between money and jobs.
P.E	In PE, we'll be learning and developing skills in athletics. Looking at throwing, running and jumping
	events.
Art	In art, students will be studying a history of art topic. This includes studying art right from the
	beginning with cave painting all the way through to the modern art created today.

## **Upcoming Events**

## **Homework Expectations**

Students are issues with spellings every Friday and tested the following Friday.

Homework is issued on a Tuesday and returned on Friday. A second piece of homework is issued on Friday and returned on Tuesday. The subject rotates each week. Thank you to all students for excellent effort with homework this half term!



