



Primary 3 Newsletter

October-December 2024

Welcome back! The children have all come back ready to learn and we are excited for all the things to come. Here is an overview of learning in Term 2, and we hope to see you in school so you can ask for more information. **Parents Evening is on Tuesday 29th and Wednesday 30th October 2024.**

Numeracy & Maths

In Numeracy, we will be further developing children's knowledge of place value, learning about units, tens, hundredths and thousands. We will look at formal written strategies as well as different mental maths strategies. For Maths, we will be investigating Information Handling and Probability.

We will be making links to our assembly using data the children have collected. The children will also be using Venn Diagrams, bar and line graphs and Pictographs.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Our topic this term is going to be about eco living. In particular, we will be looking at how we individually and collectively can reduce, reuse and recycle different items around us and explain why this is important. We will also be looking at different sources of energy to decide if they benefit or harm the environment. We will have lots of opportunities to create and build products.

Literacy & English

In Literacy this term we will focus on the following: narrative, free writing and poetry. We will also be looking at speech marks, similes, metaphors, alliteration and onomatopoeia. A big focus for P3 children will be VCOP (vocabulary, connectives, openers and punctuation) so we can create high quality texts in our writing.

Reading

We will continue to send home reading books once a week. We will also be reading a separate text in class within our different reading groups. Please continue to ask children about their books at home to help them, encouraging them to give explanations for their answers and expanding their vocabulary.

We will be consolidating our previous reading skills which looked at adjectives, verbs and nouns. We will also be working on our comprehension in Term 2 which will include inference, skimming and scanning and making predictions.

Opportunities for whole class reading or small group reading will be carried out throughout a variety of different tasks in P3.

Health & Wellbeing

We will have PE on Tuesdays and Wednesdays as normal. This can be black joggers/leggings and appropriate school polo shirts (no football colours) and suitable shoes. Tuesday's PE learning will be in the MUGA pitch. Wednesday's will be school hall. A spare pair of socks kept inside your child's bag would be helpful for wet weather. We would encourage children to bring a water bottle to school every day and children will have the opportunity to top this up throughout the day. No juice is allowed in the classrooms, but can be had as part of their lunch in the dinner hall. All belongings, especially clothing, must be clearly labelled with your child's name. **P3's assembly will take place on Friday 22nd November 2024 at 9am.**

Additional Information

No phones, computers or any other ICT equipment should be brought to school in P3. This includes Reward Time on Fridays.

P3 have recently been given lots of new games to use.

Indoor shoes- Black indoor shoes are NOT required in P3. However, if it is wet weather (especially wearing wellies) feel free to bring plimsolls or an extra pair of shoes for wearing inside. We can keep these in school if you wish.

SeeSaw/ Home Learning- New home learning will be issued on a Thursday and given a fortnight to complete. Return on Wednesday. This will be issued as a paper copy and all. Your original sign in details should remain the same as in term 1.

Please try to follow class posts so you can see and comment on all the wonderful achievements the children make! Windyknowe's Christmas Fayre will be on Friday 29th November where we will be selling our Christmas products that we have made in class. Friday 6th December 2024 will be our Christmas Jumper Day!

If you have any comments, concerns or questions please feel free to contact us through our school office, or email and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

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