**Primary 3 Newsletter**

Welcome back to P3! Welcome back to another busy term at Fernielea School. I hope you all had an enjoyable and relaxing Christmas and New Year.

**Topic**

This term, our curriculum focus is Scotland. P3 will be learning about Aberdeen through the story Apardion- A Leopard’s Quest. Apardion learns about Aberdeen by visiting different landmarks and meeting different characters. P3 will learn about the different landmarks in Aberdeen along with Apardion!

**Maths**

In Maths, all groups will be consolidating addition and subtraction. Some groups will be looking at multiplication and division. We will all be looking at Time in practical maths. The class will also use ‘Big Maths’ throughout the week to improve mental calculations. We will be studying the Term 3 Learn Its this term but please keep practising the Term 1 and Term 2 Learn Its too!

**Language**

In spelling we will continue to follow the Active Literacy programme. We will learn a new phoneme and be given common words each week. In writing we will looking at different genres of writing including how to write a letter and an explanation. We will complete reading comprehensions in class based on your child’s reading book.

**Timetable**

We have a very busy timetable this term! Gym will be on a Monday and Wednesday. Please ensure gym kits are in school on these days and are named. Miss Gellatly will be in class on a Wednesday, for French, and a Thursday, for Music. Library will be on a Tuesday, please ensure library books are in school on this day.

**Homework**

Spelling homework will be set on a Monday and be collected on a Thursday. For spelling homework the children will have to write out their words three times and complete an activity with their spelling words which you will find at the front of your child’s homework jotter. Reading will be heard in class on a Tuesday and Thursday for the Gold and Orange reading groups. The Blue and Green reading groups will be heard on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Homework pages will be set on these days. Your child should bring their reading book to school every day. The reading records are an ideal place to make any comment on how you felt your child read. The children may also receive topic related homework throughout the term.

Please do not hesitate to contact me through the school office if you have any concerns, queries or something you would like to discuss.

Thank you

Mrs Stephen