

Primary 2 of P2/1 Newsletter September 2017



Welcome back to the new school session and this first term. As always we are going to be very busy as we continue to progress with all areas of learning. I have outlined the activities, learning focuses and skills we will be working on under the curricular headings in each box.

In Literacy we will be:

- revising all P1 sounds
- have a spelling focus each week
- Learn to write our tricky words
- Formal handwriting for correct formation, orientation and size
- Using VCOP in writing lessons
- Building comprehension skills
- Talking and listening in groups
- Building confidence in blending and segmenting words.

In Numeracy we will be:

- performing simple mental calculations
- Looking at number patterns
- Building and reading graphs
- Revising number addition stories to 10

Please check the home link diary maths section for weekly focus work. Regular practise makes perfect.

In ICT we will be:

- logging on and
- running simple programmes
- Working on key-boarding skills

Our topic is *Dinosaurs* and we will be learning to:

- Explore and discover the interesting features of the past to develop an awareness of the world around us.
- Use reference texts to help us learn.
- Understand food chains.

Health and Wellbeing:

- Promote healthy fruit for snack
- P.E. lessons
- Choosing lunch
- Bringing water every day
- Promoting active lifestyles
- Increased independence in class and around the school.

Reminders:

- check diaries daily for homework and updates
- Be involved in homework activities
- Talk regularly with your child about their learning
- Library books every Monday (to be started later)
- Milk money (£1) paid for on a Thursday
- School starts at 8.55am
- Names on all clothes please
- PE kit on pegs

Curriculum for Excellence:
Early /1st Level

Specialist Teacher this year is Mrs Foster for P.E. on a Tuesday afternoon. Mr Palmer takes our class for ICT and HWB activities each Wednesday.

I intend to collect in the homework diaries on a Friday to update for the following week. Your child will have Jolly Reader on a Friday which can be kept for the week. These books are for practising all the sounds and tricky words already started in P1.

Please remember to check the Maths section on a Monday too so you can help your child by supporting class learning. Monday will be Spelling focus day but again a little bit each night helps the Friday "test"!