

Welcome to Primary 2/3! We have started off our year full of energy and enthusiasm for setting up our class environment. Pupils have been fully involved in creating our class charter, and sharing ideas for routines and activities. I look forward to getting to know your child, and meeting with you too if I haven't done so already. Catch me at the class door at 3p.m. OR contact the office to arrange a longer chat. Thank you - Mrs. McKirdle

Our focus for Numeracy -

- Read, write, order and recite whole numbers up to 100 and beyond, starting from any number in the sequence.
- Demonstrate an understanding of zero as a placeholder in whole numbers to at least 1000.
- Identify the value of each digit in a whole number with three digits, for example, $867 = 800 + 60 + 7$.
- Use the terms estimate, approximate and rounded to, and show understanding on number lines and 'rounding' 2 and 3 digit numbers.

OUR CONTEXTS FOR LEARNING -

IDL Focus - My Body and 'Bugs'

- Identify the skull, spine, ribcage and some bones of the arms and leg which show how the skeleton gives us support and protects our organs.
- Describe the position and function of major organs.
- Describe how skin provides a barrier to infection and helps to control our temperature.
- Explain what a healthy lifestyle is and why this is important.
- Discuss the safe use of medicines.

Health & Wellbeing focus -

- Recognise the similarities and differences between male and female.
- Identify / name external body parts.
- Understand that everyone grows and develops differently.

Our focus for Literacy -

- Take turns and contribute appropriately when engaging with others.
- Write to describe and share experiences in a logical sequence, using appropriate vocabulary to share feelings, thoughts and events.
- Read and spell an increasing number of high frequency words, key reading words and topic words.
- French - Develop our knowledge of greetings, numbers to 20 and some simple colours.

pupil council
congratulations to Edith who was elected as our P2/3 pupil councillor, and Ashton our vice councillor.

Abbie Well done also good to all those who were brave enough to apply - we enjoyed listening to all 2 speeches

We still have quite a few lunch orders not being posted by parents. As we introduce the new wrist bands - lunch ordering is taking a considerable amount of time. Catering staff request that all parents order lunches in advance each day/ week.

LUNCHES

You must order lunch on the iPay system, or phone the school office for help.

WATER BOTTLES/ SNACK - Send in a filled water bottle every day - no juice please; and send in a small snack too. Only 10 minutes is given to 'snack', so something that can be accessed and eaten easily is ideal. The school recognises fruit, vegetables and natural yoghurt are healthy snacks.
REMEMBER - NO NUTS OR NUT PRODUCTS. Label water bottle please as we have a few that are the same style and colour.

Mrs. Clanachan will teach P2/3 on a Wednesday afternoon. This will be a focus on maths.



Again, please continue to check you label all school clothing. If you haven't done this yet - do so as soon as possible and show your child where you have written their name. This will help enormously when getting changed for P.E. and at the end of the day.

HOMWORK AND WALLETS

Please ensure your child brings their plastic wallet to school every day. DO read the information inside homework jotters. Other information will be shared as needed - so please check wallets each day.



PLEASE send in a waterproof coat with a hood every day.

OPEN AFTERNOON

Please join us for an open afternoon in our classroom on Tuesday 17th September from 1.45-2.15pm; when we will share our recent learning with you.

P.E / MUGA KITS / CHANGES -

We have P.E on a Tuesday (with Mr. Sharp - P.E specialist), Thursday and Friday. Pupils should arrive at school wearing their kit every Tuesday and Thursday morning and bring their school uniform in their P.E Kit bag. Please provide long joggers for colder weather.

Spare socks & pants are handy to have in P.E Kits too!

During P.E, long hair must be tied back and earrings covered with tape. Micro-pore tape is ideal and can be kept in class.

Pupils are asked to change into spare trousers if they wish to play on the pitch. Waterproof trousers are ideal for this, and can be kept in the class.



Thank you for reading - from P2/3 and Mrs. McKirdle

