

Primary 3 Class Newsletter

Term 3 2023

Here are some comments about what children learned and experienced last term...

- "We learned about Christmas Around the World, we talked about other people's traditions at Christmas time." - Olivia
- "I used cards to practise times table facts." - Ross
- "We played in the snow, we made a snowman and different shapes." - Sophie
- "We made Christmas penguins in Art." - Sophia
- "I worked with money and bought things in our class Christmas shop." - Myles
- "We had a Christmas movie night. We watched Elf and had popcorn." - Brian

- "We made acrostic poems with different Autumn themed words." - Stevie
- "We summarised and made predictions in our reading groups." - Logan
- "We got a letter from a school in Canada that told us about their Christmas traditions. We sent them back a card with our traditions on it." - Samuel
- "Our Christmas show was in December. We learned four songs and performed them in front of an audience." - Finlay S
- "We read Charlie and the Chocolate Factory." - Lewis

OUR TERM 3 FOCUS

Our IDL topic this term is Scotland. We will go on walks in the local area to take pictures, create maps/models and compare Stranraer to other places in Scotland. Our information reports in writing will focus on describing and comparing Scottish animals, using all seven of our description bubbles. As well as reciting Scots poems, we will focus on Scots words and create a Scots dictionary.

In Literacy, we will begin to focus on more reciprocal reading strategies in group situations. Children will take turns to be the predictor, summariser, questioner, clarifier etc. We will continue to learn new spelling patterns using the Jolly Phonics programme.

In Numeracy, we will begin to look at addition and subtraction word problems. Afterwards, we will begin to have a stronger focus on multiplication. In Maths, we will look at the properties of 2D Shapes and 3D Objects as this was not fully covered due to term 2 being busy with our Christmas Show rehearsals.

READING—

As our topic is Scotland, we are going to be reading *Sleekit Mr Tod*, the Scots version of Roald Dahl's story *Fantastic Mr Fox*. We will be using *Sleekit Mr Tod* as our focus in Expressive Arts as we explore drama strategies, traditional Scottish music and Scottish artists.

Any other important information:

Homework notes/reading books will continue to be sent home every Tuesday to be returned the following Monday. Important information for the next couple of weeks is at the top of each homework sheet.

PE Days are a Tuesday.