



Welcome to term 2! Autumn is here and we have so much to look forward to. Halloween and Bonfire night always creates a buzz of excitement. We are already on the countdown to Christmas and we are planning a Christmas Carol Concert. This term we will devote some time to celebrating Dyslexia Awareness and we have the Scottish Book Week and Anti-Bullying Week in mid-November.

### Language & Literacy

*Reading* – We will continue to consolidate our reading strategies with regular reading sessions in class. As part of our topic work we will also be learning to read for information and there will be extra practice with classwork tasks.



*Spelling* – We will continue to learn our Stage 2 phonemes and common words through the Active Literacy Programme.

*Writing* - Our focus this term will be procedural writing linking in with our IDL topic of Toys, Halloween and Christmas activities. We will be learning how to write letters, instructions, invitations and lists.

### Numeracy & Mathematics

We are continuing to learn our number bonds to 20. We will also focus on addition and subtraction and consolidate place value. Over the next few weeks will also be learning about money, patterns and measuring area.



To become more skilled in mental maths we will use the Number Talks programme regularly which will help us to see patterns in numbers and to develop faster recall of our number bonds to 20.

Please encourage your child to use the Education City activity set each week for homework as it is a fun way to consolidate what they are learning in class.

### Health & Wellbeing

P.E. for P2L will be on **Wednesdays and Thursdays** and for P2N on **Mondays and Fridays**. Our focus this term is tennis and badminton. Please make sure all P.E. kit is labelled with your child's name.



We continue to focus on classroom routines in line with the school values, to make our classroom safe, friendly, respectful and hard-working. In line with the new Respectful Relationships Policy both classes use the Class Dojo system to reward positive behaviour. Points are accumulated on a weekly basis and prizes or a trophy are awarded to one individual and one table group at the end of the week.

The main focus in the PATHs programme this term is problem-solving which will help us to resolve difficulties in a calm way using appropriate behaviours. We will continue with our compliments to each other!

### Interdisciplinary Learning

Our IDL context for learning this term is Toys. We will find out about the differences in toys from the past and compare them with toys from the present. There will also be plenty of Christmas activities. P2 will be practising for a concert showcasing a variety of Christmas songs and carols. You will have the opportunity to come and hear us on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December.



#### Outdoor Classroom

The Outdoor Classroom will be used on a weekly basis (weather permitting) to explore aspects of the curriculum in a fun way. Please ensure children have suitable clothing and footwear on Fridays.

**Parent Consultations** – these will be on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November and we look forward to meeting you to discuss your child's progress so far.

**Homework** – this will continue as in Term 1. Thank you for supporting your child to complete his/her homework. It really helps to consolidate their learning.

Thank you for your continued support.  
Miss Lochrie and Mrs McGrath