



We hope that everyone had a relaxing Christmas holiday and has come back refreshed and ready for the busy term ahead! This newsletter will give you more information about what we are learning across the curriculum. We thank you for your continued support.

### Language & Literacy

Both P1 and P2 will continue to learn new phonemes through our Active Literacy programme. We will continue to practise blending and segmenting and will be sharing our skills with the upper school during paired reading. In writing we will focus on building a sentence independently using our core targets of capital letters, full stops and finger spaces.



### Numeracy & Mathematics

This term we continue our focus on addition and will be introducing the concept of subtraction. We will be learning various strategies to help us subtract within 10 and 20. Number talks will continue where we will talk about and share subtraction strategies and our beyond number focus will be measure.



### Health & Wellbeing

**PE** - Our PE will focus on gymnastics and dance this term, using apparatus to develop our movement skills.



**Health** - Pupils will be continuing the PATHS programme from Barnardo's, which develops positive mental wellbeing. We will continue with PATHS pupil of the day and the children will be given another chance to receive a compliments slip. We will also be following East Ayrshire's Health and Wellbeing programme, with a focus on food and nutrition.

### Contexts for Learning

In term 3 we are learning about Knights and Castles with a Scottish focus in January. We will be identifying important events from Scotland's history and learning about internet safety while we search for new information.

### Homework

Homework will continue to be issued on a Monday and returned on a Friday. For numeracy we encourage you to access useful websites such as 'Sumdog' and Education City. Please get in touch if you have any issues with this.

### Additional Information:

A reminder that PE days are Tuesday and Fridays. Please ensure your child has the appropriate kit. Our outdoor afternoon is on a Thursday which requires clothing and footwear that can get muddy! Scottish poems will also be sent home to work towards our Burns competition. Thank you again for your continued support, Mrs Ewing and Miss Merry.