

Primary 2/3 NEWSLETTER

Term 2 2026-2027



Teacher's Note

In term 2, we will continue to explore new and exciting topics as well as enjoying lots of Autumn and Christmas activities. We look forward to a term full of festive fun and excitement.

We will welcome you all in for Parent's Evening on Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th November. Our P.E days remain a Tuesday and Thursday.

Literacy

Spelling – We will continue to introduce new sounds each week following East Ayrshire's literacy programme with a strong focus on blending and segmenting sounds in words.

Reading – We will continue to explore new texts in the Big Cat reading scheme, monitoring pupils fluency. As a class, we will begin exploring expression when reading aloud.

Writing – In term 2, we will begin instructional writing. We will introduce bossy verbs and work together to sequence events in the correct order. We will continue to improve our 'tools for writing', such as capital letters and punctuation, to build confidence in writing more independently.

Numeracy

This term the children will be learning about:

Place Value – We will continue to introduce numbers to 100 and beyond. We will begin partitioning numbers before ordering and sequencing 2 or 3 digit numbers.

Odd and Even Numbers – Following our work on place value, we will spend some time exploring odd and even numbers up to 100.

Addition and Subtraction – We will be focusing on improving our recall of addition facts to 20 and beyond. Primary 2 pupils will begin exploring how to add two-digit numbers, while Primary 3 pupils will work with three-digit numbers. Pupils will use a range of strategies, including partitioning, adding in chunks, and formal written methods, to develop their confidence and understanding.

Context for Learning

Social Studies – In term 2, our new topic will be 'Under the Sea'. We will explore ocean environments and their inhabitants, weather impacts and food chains.

Art & Design – We will continue to explore colour, line and shape through a variety of seasonal activities. We will also use our topic as a stimulus for watercolour paintings.

Music – We will be learning about families in the orchestra and naming different percussion instruments. We will also be using our voice to prepare for our Christmas Carol Concert in December.

Health and Wellbeing

P.E – This term, we will be developing our skills in netted sports such as tennis. Through these sessions, we work both individually and in partnerships to improve our ball and racquet control. We will in-turn improve our communication and collaboration skills working alongside partners.

Core Health – In Term 2, we will begin learning about the use of medicines and substances. We will discuss making safe choices to positively impact our health and well-being.