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Primary Two Termly Newsletter Term One

Welcome to Primary Two, Room 4. Now that the children have settled into their new class we wanted to share this term's information with you.

Curricular Learning

Numeracy: we will be focusing on numbers to 100, addition within 10 and 20 and 2D/3D shape. Through play we promote the use of maths skills such as counting, grouping, sorting, weighing, measuring, comparing, symmetry, patterns and more!

Literacy: we are focussing on the sharing of favourite stories and what makes them special. We are continuing to develop:

- knowledge of key words
- phonic blends (pr, st, sp etc)
- oral and written comprehension activities
- reading for enjoyment with peers, individually and with the whole class.

Our writing this term will focus on detailed three-part stories with an emphasis on the use of full stops, capitals, spacing, vocabulary and openers. We will also explore the creation of a character for a story.

Inter-disciplinary Learning: we are currently working on a book study: *The Day the Crayons Quit*. We will also cover 'People who Help us in the Community.' During this topic the children will decide what they want to find out and they will be supported to find out information in different ways and to record what they learn by talking, writing, drawing and participating in art and drama activities. Visits from local people who help us will extend the children's knowledge through question and answer sessions. Through play the children will consolidate what they are learning and have the chance to role-play in different settings for example: the fire station, the doctor's surgery, the opticians and the library.

Health and wellbeing

Through circle time and the PATHS programme (Promoting Alternative Thinking Skills) the children will explore different feelings and how to deal with them. They will also explore 'What do I need?'

In PE the children will be developing fitness and we will be visited by the Glasgow Science Centre on October 10th for a workshop on Fitness which will explore strength, agility, flexibility and speed.

Things to remember

- We have PE on Mondays and Wednesdays so please could your child wear a polo-shirt on those days to make changing easier?
- The children need a water bottle every day. It can be re-filled in school if needed.
- Most homework is weekly, using the new homework grids for numeracy, reading, spelling and personal achievements. Phonics will be given on a Wednesday and Spelling on a Tuesday once these have been taught in class.
- Any last minute information will be recorded on Class Dojo.

Here's to a happy, productive term!

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