



St Joseph's Primary

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

Term 2



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Primary _4

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Dear Parent/ Guardian,
Welcome to our second P4 newsletter which will give you some key information for this term.

Miss Harvey and Mrs. Redmond

General



Children have their login information for **Google Classroom** and all children have been able to access this platform confidently in computing lessons. All homework is now set on Google Classroom. If you need any support with this, please get in touch or access our school [website](#).

Curriculum Learning

Social Studies



This term we are learning about Scandinavia, focusing on 'People and Place' and 'People in the Past'. We are enjoying learning about 'The Vikings' and their influence on Scotland. So far we have been researching how and where Vikings lived, making model longhouses and examining some replicas of artefacts from Glasgow Museums. We have also been looking at maps of Scandinavian countries and are looking forward to learning more about Scandinavian places, traditions and languages.

Literacy



This term we have been reading 'The Worst Witch' and using this to help us develop skills in making inferences, answering and creating questions, and summarising. In writing, we are learning to write short stories and have been successful in writing our own stories, using 'The Worst Witch' as inspiration.

Numeracy and Maths



Children have been focusing on rapid recall of the multiplication tables and how they link to division. We have been using Number Talks and the Numeracy Blueprints to focus on mental strategies for addition & subtraction. Continue to encourage your child to practise their rapid recall of multiplication & division facts using the 'Hit the Button' website.

Health and Wellbeing



In P.E., we are developing our skills in netball. We are enjoying practising different types of passes and have been successful in using chest passes, bounce passes and overhead passes in small team games. We have also been delighted to attend swimming lessons at Eastwood baths.

Religious Education



We have begun our Sacramental preparations, especially for our Sacrament of Reconciliation which will take place in school on 4th March. To help us with this, we are currently thinking and talking about the choices we make and reflecting on the parable of 'The Loving Father'. Sacramental booklets will be sent home shortly so that parents can help support your children with this.

Modern Languages



In French, we have learned a range of vocabulary associated with pets and are applying this to talk and ask about owning pets. We have been successful in completing a survey about pets in French and have written sentences on this topic. We love to listen to and sing our song 'Tu as un animal?'

Notes:

Please ensure that your child brings in pencils, a rubber and ruler so that they are ready for work each day.

Next Off Gird Dates: 4a - Friday 21st March / 4b - Wednesday 26th March

PE Days: 4a - Monday mornings / 4b - Monday afternoons

