



Primary P5/4 Class Newsletter – Term 2



Ms MacKinnon



Mrs Marsh (Thursdays)

Welcome to Term Two!

We are all excited to be back in class and to keep moving forward on this year's learning journey! Term Two sees us develop and deepen our understanding of the learning from term one.



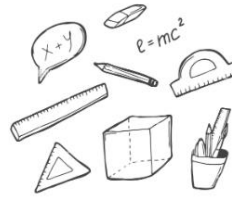
Literacy

We will continue our class novel, *The Last Bear*, and keep using it to

inspire our literacy journey this term. We move on from character descriptions and into describing settings. This will feed into our poetry work later in the term. We are lucky enough to have visiting specialist coming into deliver a series of masterclasses around spoken word poetry. This is a great opportunity to develop our literacy skills in a holistic manner.

Additionally, we will be increasing our understanding of spelling rules and common phonemes through weekly active spelling activities.

We have been enjoying our visits to the library, in particular the chance to choose our own books. These visits will continue



Maths and Numeracy

This term we will continue to develop our number skills through a Concrete, Pictorial, Abstract (CPA)

approach. Particularly focusing on comparison of numbers and number sequences. We will continue to develop our understanding of the four operations (+ - × ÷) and the relationships between them.

Additionally, we will be looking at 2D shapes and 3D objects, our identifying of more complex shapes and the development our language of description. We will also look at measurement (mm, cm, m) and area.



Health and Wellbeing

P.E. Days: Wednesdays and Thursdays

This term we are lucky to have a visiting specialist come to take us for football on Wednesdays, hence why our days have changed slightly.

On P.E. days we will come to school ready for P.E. in our gym kit (school colours). Making sure to remove jewellery, tie our hair up and a bring a full water bottle.

Outside of P.E. we will be exploring bullying as part of national bullying week. We will also be using the Your Body Matters Curriculum to learn how to keep our bodies happy and healthy.



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and we will develop move library skills during this time.

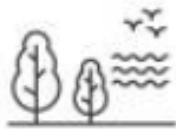


Social Studies and Science

We have not yet finished our discovery of water and weather here on Earth. We will continue this learning looking at major weather systems present on our planet. Later in the term we will also look at how we harness the weather to provide electricity for our everyday lives.

Outdoor Learning

We will continue embracing outdoor learning opportunities even as the weather gets colder so please ensure that a warm coat and hats/gloves (if necessary) are brought to school.



Key Dates

Parents Evening 21.11.24 (Late night, 5:30-7:30) 22.11.24 (Early 3:00-5:30)

Christmas fair TBC

Christmas Holidays 20.12.24, early close (2.30pm)



Expressive Arts

This term we will continue our learning around

colour by experimenting with mixing our primary colours, and adding black and white to create our own colours and shades. We will utilise different tools and materials to create 2D art and begin to make our own choices about what we use to create. We will begin to identify ourselves as artist and look at other artists work, including our classmates, and begin to talk about what we like about art.

Our learning through literacy and science will help inform our expressive art journey and will allow us to develop our expression and creativity.

We continue to develop our music skills by transferring our 'fruit beats' to different instruments.

Homework

This terms homework grid has been put on SeeSaw. Reading and spelling should be daily (reading can be the Big Cat Books or any other book you have at home). The rest of the grid can be completed at your own pace throughout the term.

It is great to see what everyone gets up to at home so please continue to bring in homework jotters on Friday morning so they can be looked over before Monday. Feel free to post homework to SeeSaw as well!