



Primary 2a Battlefield Primary School



Class Newsletter

Literacy:

Phonics - We will continue with our Jolly Phonics to extend our double sound knowledge, as well as our alternative sounds. We are looking to develop our spelling knowledge.

Reading - We share stories on a daily basis, focusing on the reading skills of predicting and visualising. We will be learning to retell familiar stories through story maps.

We will be developing our ability to choose books we enjoy at the right level for us during our library time. **(Library day to be scheduled following the grand unveiling of our new library redevelopment this term!)**

Writing - We will be focusing on how to write a recount - in conjunction with the creation of story maps during our Reading lessons - and creating and describing characters.

Grammar - We will be consolidating our knowledge of sentence structure by focusing on where to use a capital letter and basic punctuation.

Handwriting - This term we will be practicing our letter formation and fine motor skills.

Talking and Listening - We are developing our listening skills in order to ask and answer questions. We are developing the vocabulary we use when talking.

French - We will be extending our knowledge of French greetings by focusing on the vocabulary of polite manners.

Numeracy and Mathematics:

We will extend our number knowledge by counting forwards/backwards within 100 and skip counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. We will build our confidence and the range of strategies we can use for addition and subtraction.

In Maths we are working on pattern, time (days of the week, months of the year, and seasons), and investigating the use of numbers in daily life.

Health and Wellbeing:

We are developing our Mental and Emotional Health by exploring a range of emotions and coping strategies through EmotionWorks and our whole-school resilience development programme.

Our gym days will be on a Tuesday and a Wednesday.

This term we will focus on **movement skills** such as travelling, coordination, throwing and catching. We will develop these skills through a range of games and activities which support our listening and teamwork skills.

Please dress your child in a navy polo shirt, shorts/leggings/joggers and appropriate trainers/plimsoles. Children can come to school in their P.E. kit.

Social Studies:

We will be exploring our 'Local Area', beginning with our school before expanding to Battlefield and Glasgow, investigating key features/areas of personal interest and topical local events.

If you have a role within this area and could spare some time to talk to Primary 2 we would love to hear from you! We are also always looking for volunteers for roles within the school. Again, if this is something that interests you and you have some time then please get in touch!

Expressive Arts:

Music - Excitingly, we will all begin learning an instrument this term through our participation in the year-long 'Baby Strings' programme! **Our music lessons will take place on Wednesday mornings.** Please keep an eye out for the announcement of concert dates to watch us perform later in the year!

Art and Design - We will be exploring the use of colour and printing through local artists (linked to our Social Studies topic) and pattern (linked to our Maths).

Drama - We will be using the role play area to develop our skills in retelling stories (linked to our Reading and Writing skills).

Science:

We will investigate how forces work and develop our skills in predicting how forces effect the movement or shape of an object. We will be focusing on magnets, specifically.

Technologies:

We will develop our digital technology skills to support our learning by refining our skills in taking images for sharing on our Seesaw platform and learning how to conduct an appropriate internet search to find relevant information, while developing our understanding of online safety.

R.M.E.

We will be exploring the stories and values of world religions.