



CADDER PRIMARY SCHOOL



Curricular Newsletter Primary 3 Term 1



This term your son/daughter will focus on:

Literacy and Language

Reading- Primary 3 will be focussing on consolidating phonic sounds and sight words through common sound work. All children will also be given a reading book weekly, used for focused learning to develop common word knowledge and challenge through exploration of tricky words.

Writing- The Talk for Writing model (Pie Corbett) will be used to develop focused pieces of writing about a journey. We will be focussing our learning around the story of *The Gruffalo*, exploring character description using adjectives.

Talk and Listening- These key skills will be developed across the curriculum, with partner and small group activities to provide opportunities for enhancing these skills. This term we will be focussing on the ability to respond to verbal and non-verbal cues to talk.

Numeracy and Mathematics

We will be exploring:

- Counting and recognising number value up to 1000.
- Multiplication will be introduced, with further opportunities to develop addition and subtraction operations in problem-solving tasks.
- Measuring skills will be a maths focus this term, with estimation and the accurate use and recording of objects using appropriate instruments. This will link to our Extreme Earth topic.

Your child will partake in active learning experiences to support their understanding of the operations. This will be done in groups, and these skills will also be developed in independent tasks to allow challenge and develop their number knowledge.

Health and Physical Education

We continue to have support from Achieve More every week and will be completing Marathon Kids outside every afternoon. Our focus in PE will be on teamwork, confidence and developing gross motor skills with lots of games that involve jumping, skipping, hopping and ball skills.

This term Primary 3 will be developing our knowledge and understanding of emotions, and ways in which we can identify different emotions and strategies that can provide coping mechanisms. Relating to how identifying emotions in others is important, and the children will focus on what makes a good friend and discuss the meaning of friendship.

Social Studies, Science and Technologies

Our topic this term will be 'Extreme Earth', where we will explore weather in relation to climate change.

This links to Glasgow's upcoming COP26 summit, and will promote a real life context for the children to engage in. This will be done by recording and comparing our weather to other climates, by using problem-solving skills to develop models and developing online research skills.

Music, Drama and Art

In art we will be exploring the use of line and colour to create artwork that is inspired by our topic. Mrs Clinton will be delivering weekly music lessons, and Primary 3 will be exploring how to make different sounds. Drama will be linked to our Talk for Writing by role playing the stories and developing



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characterisation. And role play will be used to explore real life and imaginary situations related to our topic.

Religious Education

In RME, the children will learn about how we treat others. Related to what makes a good friendship, exploring our actions towards our friends and family. RME will be taught by Mrs Clinton this term.

Modern Languages

Primary 3 we will continue with our daily greetings and days of the week in French. We will also learn to follow different classroom instructions given in French and we will begin to explore numbers past 10 alongside our French calendar.



Special days this term for your son/daughter are:

Mrs Clinton teaches all day on a Tuesday and on a Wednesday afternoon.

Primary 3's PE days: Tuesday and Thursday. Bring all necessary kit for PE lessons – shorts, t-shirts and indoor shoes. Please do NOT wear any jewellery to school on these days. Primary 3 should change into their soft shoes every morning. We ask that you provide your child with a pair of these with their name written inside. Soft Shoes to be worn in school at ALL times. Homework is issued on Seesaw Monday to be completed by Friday. As a reminder, we are a health promoting school and therefore, ask that no chocolate, sweets or fizzy juice should be provided as snack. Only plain water should be drunk in class.