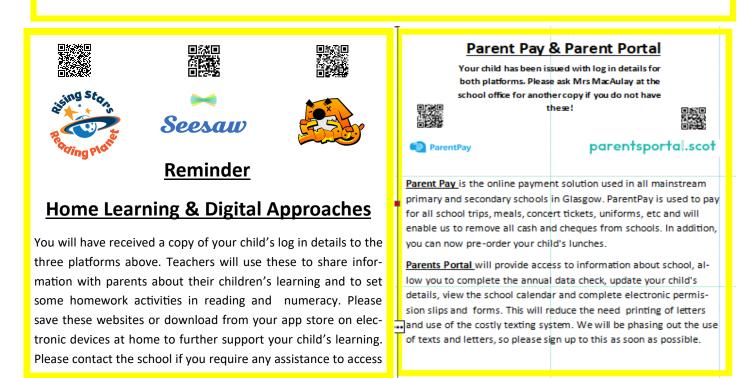


Happy New Year! We hope you had a nice break. We are looking forward to an exciting school term full of learning. Our P.E. days are Wednesday and Thursday. Children should avoid wearing any jewellery, and should have indoor shoes on these days. Homework will be given out on a Monday and should be returned/submitted via Seesaw on the Friday. If you have any questions, please use Seesaw.



Health and Wellbeing

<u>P.E.</u> lessons with Mrs Nolan will focus on Fitness. We will also learn about Dance and movement. We will continue to work also on developing emotional literacy and self-regulation using Paths, and celebrate our Pupil of the Day with compliments.

Expressive Arts

Through our Scotland topic we will explore Scottish music. We will take part in body percussion activities and perform some of our own music. We will take part in some Highland dancing and learn about the Highland Games. We will also explore some drama through some Scots stories.

Religious & Moral Education

This term we will be learning about Christian Celebration such as Christmas and Easter and that different traditions around these celebrations. We will be able to discuss and compare traditions in different countries. We will also learn about some of the songs and symbols associated with Christianity.

Social Studies/Sciences/Technologies

<u>Social Studies</u>: Our topic this term will be Scotland. In this we will learn some Scots vocabulary, learn about different cities in Scotland and explore some traditional clothing.

<u>Science</u>: we will be learning all about weather where the children will learn about the water cycle and be able to sequence the different stages of the water cycle. Children will also explore the different states of water.

Numeracy & Mathematics

This term we will be consolidating our knowledge of numbers to 20 by sequencing and ordering numbers to 20, idenitifying numbers before and after 20. We will work on developing our strategies in addition and subtraction by counting on or back. We will also begin to look at multiplication and division, by getting children to double and halve numbers. We will also learn about, 2D and 3D shape, patterns, symmetry and how to use directional language. for games to support learning, including Sum Dog, will often form part of Maths homework to be accessed via Seesaw.

Literacy

Reading—This term we will continue to develop our decoding skills. We will develop our skills in predicting, answering and asking questions and finding information from a text. Please continue to practice reading at home with homework and the reading books on Reading Planet.

Writing—We have daily writing opportunities for P1. The class are continuing to draw a picture and talk about it . Children are learning to form their own sentence and develop their independence in sounding out the words they would like to write.

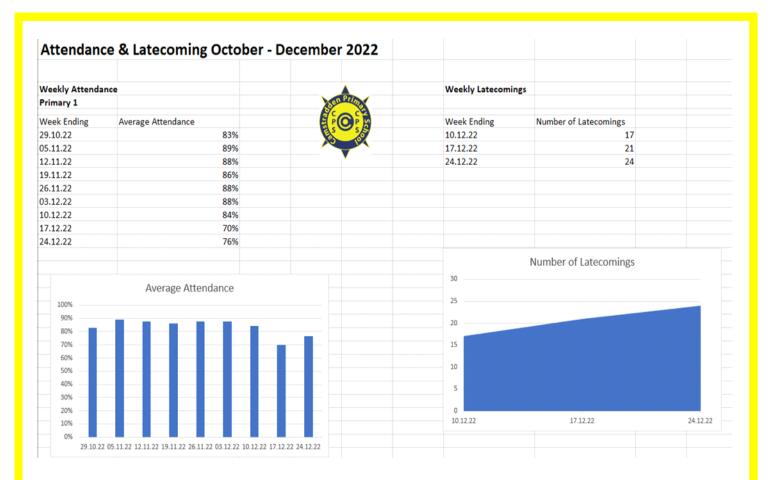
Listening & Talking—In Listening and talking, we will be developing our skills further during lessons with Mrs Nolan. We will continue to develop our listening skills with our Reading books, by answering and asking questions about the story.

Attendance & Latecoming

Overall attendance and late coming statics at Camstradden Primary are not where we would like them to be. Every child has a right to an education and it the expectation that every child will attend school each day on time. Being late for school impacts on many things including pupils attainment as well as their social and emotional development.

We have identified poor attendance as being our biggest barrier to learning. Almost all class teachers have shared that if the children who are regularly absent from school were in school on time each day, their attainment would improve significantly. As such a relentless focus for us this term will be on improving attendance and reducing late coming. This focus is supported by the HMI Inspectors who visited us in December which will be highlighted in their upcoming report. We have provided further information within this months newsletter in relation to late coming and attendance

Each month we will share with families the average late coming and attendance rates for each class on our website. We hope that this, alongside our Improving Attendance Action Plan, will help to improve attendance at Camstradden Primary and significantly



Reporting Absence

How to report your child absent from school:

You should call the Pupil Absence Reporting (PAR) Team on: 0141 287 0039 to report your child absent from school. You can call the