# St Francis Primary School Curriculum Information for Parents/Carers Primary 2

## Literacy and English



This term Primary 2 will be learning to recognise and write new sounds and digraphs using Phonics International. They will also continue to blend and build words using known sounds. Children will be given more opportunities to participate in 'have a go' writing activities through the Write on Track programme. They will explore the genre of Recount. They will be encouraged to plan using story maps as well as include openers, and adjectives in their sentences. Children will be encouraged to continue their great participation in their class novel, 'Not now, Bernard'. They will answer literal questions about a text.

### Numeracy and Maths



This term the children are continuing to work with numbers 0-100. They will explore various strategies and number bonds in order to solve addition and subtraction problems In addition, they will practise skip counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. They will explore strategies such as part-part-whole and concrete materials to support their work in addition. This term, Primary 2 will focus on recognising 2D shapes and describing their features. Children will also create patterns with shapes and number sequences.

# Health and Wellbeing



In Health and Wellbeing this term, children will explore more feelings through the PATHs programme. They will learn about what makes a good friend and how to give compliments. In P.E. the children will focus on athletics. Primary 2 will also learn to follow and understand instructions as well as reflect on their performance. Please remember that Primary 2 have gym on the following days:

# Primary 2a- Wednesday and Friday Primary 2b- Thursday and Friday

Please ensure that your child has a yellow or white t-shirt, dark shorts and a pair of slip-on gym shoes (if possible) on these days. All jewellery should be removed.

## Religious Education



This term the children will have the opportunity to participate in Mass. Children will listen to the story of Jesus Blesses Little Children and the Ten Lepers. They will also discuss what makes them special.

#### Sciences



This term we will explore water. Children will explore how water can change from one form to another and learning about boiling and freezing points. They will take part in different experiments. They will discuss their predictions with their peers and evaluate their findings. They will also explore the Earth and the Sun.

#### Social Studies



Children will participate in outdoor learning activities in order to discuss the climate of Scotland. Children will also explore dinosaurs and how the land has changed since the days of the dinosaurs. They will compare features of this time with present day.

#### **Technologies**



In I.C.T. this term the children will have the opportunity to use the smartboard across their learning. Children will learn how to manipulate the iPad using features such as Camera, Notes and Markup. Children will also learn to code and control a robot toy (Sphero) so that it can follow a simple path. Also, children will use their digital skills across the curriculum by searching information using a search engine.

Expressive Arts
Music/ Drama/ Art/ Dance



#### Music:

The children will be developing their skills on percussion instruments this term. They will explore different rhythms and melodies and will have the opportunity to create their own piece of music.

#### Art

In art this term children will explore the style of pointillism. They will create pictures inspired by special places in their local community and around Glasgow.

#### Drama:

Pupils will be working in groups to recreate stories such as 'The Gruffalo' and 'Not Now, Bernard'. They will give feedback to their classmates on their performances.

## Modern Languages





Children will continue to engage in daily conversations in French regarding their emotions, the date and the weather. In addition, Primary 2 will explore traditional French stories and songs.

# Interdisciplinary Learning



Our topic this term will be 'My Local Community' which will be explored through Literacy, Expressive Arts, Science and Social Studies. Children will discuss areas of their local community and create their own maps of key areas in the Gorbals. They will discuss and create their own dream community and explain the importance of different groups/buildings in the community.