

# Primary 20 Newsletter!

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I hope you all had a lovely Christmas break, the children are back feeling refreshed and ready to learn some new and interesting things this term.

## Interdisciplinary Learning

We are going to be busy this term in our topic work. We will be working on our IDL theme ~ China. We will be comparing life in China to life in Scotland with a special focus on learning about Chinese New Year. We are looking forward to sharing our learning with you at our class assembly. We will be starting to practise soon and I will send home further information about this in the coming weeks.

## Health and Wellbeing

The children will continue to focus on the SHANARRI indicators and we will also be looking at and discussing some new articles.

## P.E

Our PE sessions are on a **MONDAY (indoors)** and **THURSDAY (outdoors)**. Suitable outdoor clothes (tracksuit/jogging trousers/hoodie) and suitable footwear are needed for this session. A waterproof jacket might also be necessary. Please note, on PE days the children are permitted to come to school wearing these clothes as they will not be changing in school.

Please remember that all jewellery must be removed on PE days. Pupils who have recently had their ears pierced will be expected to cover their ears with tape.

Water Bottles ~ Pupils are encouraged to drink **plain water** throughout the day in class. We would be grateful if you could supply a named water bottle for this purpose every day.

## ICT

We love to use the iPads and Smartboard in class and we are becoming really independent. We are able to scan QR codes to help us play games that help us with our learning.

## Literacy

In our Literacy and Language programme we will be continuing to work hard to learn our spelling words and phonemes/sounds. **Please encourage your child to practise; it's very important at this stage.**

We are enjoying reading and discussing our books in class. We also love to look for common words, sounds and phonemes in our reading books.

Our writing genres for this term will be recount, narrative and report.

## Numeracy and Maths

These are the areas we will be working on this term. Numeracy, chimney sums, money and measure. We might even try writing some numbers in Chinese.

Here are a few useful websites:

[www.topmarks.co.uk](http://www.topmarks.co.uk)

[www.mathplayground.com](http://www.mathplayground.com)

## Homework

Thank you for the fantastic effort you are putting into your homework, it really makes a huge difference. Just a reminder that the reading books and homework should be returned to school in the wallet on Friday. Keep working hard on your spelling words.

## Key Dates for the Term

- P20 Class Assembly ~ Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February
- February break ~ Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Feb – Tues 13<sup>th</sup> Feb
- February inset day ~ Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February
- Progress Conversations ~ Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March

