



DREGHORN PRIMARY SCHOOL
CLASS NEWSLETTER



Primary 2
Term 3

Teacher Miss Thomas
Session 2019-2020

This term we will be learning about the following:

Literacy & English: Phonics - We will be continuing to learn phonic sounds and blends. Some pupils will continue to revise single letter sounds and will be blending these to make CVC and CVCC words, some will be learning diagraph blends and beginning to use these to make short words. In the classroom, pupils will take part in active spelling activities and short written tasks.

Reading - We will be continuing to use SHORS reading strategies (questioning, predicting, visualising, monitoring, inferring and summarising) to help us read our reading books in class and at home. We will be working with P7 reading buddies this term to help with our reading books and common words.

Writing - We will continue with personal writing through weekly news. We will also be covering imaginative, instructional and persuasive writing pieces through our topic. Many pupils will aim to begin writing independently. Some children will be working towards writing longer and more detailed pieces of independent writing, to include thoughts and feelings.

Numeracy - At the beginning of this term, we will be revising addition and subtraction within 20, including missing numbers and exploring the link between addition and subtraction. Some children will be adding and subtracting within 100 using a 100 square and will be introduced to multiplication in the near future. Some children will continue work with numbers up to 10. They will continue to develop skills in addition and subtraction, doubling and counting on and back in 1s, 2s, 5s and 10s.

Mathematics We will be learning about measuring, shape and time this term. We will participate in many practical activities to develop our knowledge and skills in these areas.

Our topic is: Katie Morag and Islands

We will learn about islands through the Katie Morag stories. We will learn about the features of islands, travelling to an island, Scottish islands and how the land is used. We will work on producing a basic map of The Isle of Struay and the village of Dreghorn and comparing them. We will explore the characters from the Katie Morag stories and create character descriptions and compare the two grannies from the stories.

In PE we will be learning about and practising: Creative Dance and Badminton. We will also continue to work on team work skills through team activities and games.

In Technologies (including ICT) we will learn: We will continue to use iPads and laptops to continue using our Sumdog resource to help us with our numeracy skills. We will be learning basic Word processing skills and online safety.

In RE we will learn about: Christianity through the Easter Story and how Christians celebrate Easter.

Expressive Arts

Our expressive arts will be taught through our topic theme. In art and design, we will take part in different spring themed art activities and we will create an island landscape painting and will make island models. In music, we will learn some traditional Scottish songs and will learn some Scottish dances. We will take on roles of Katie Morag characters in drama and role play life in a post office in our Isle of Struay Post Office role play corner.

Other information: PE days: Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

You will be kept informed of any other things which may be happening this term.

Please remember to mark all school uniform and belongings with your child's name. Weekly homework will be issued soon. Please remember to return completed homework to school on a Friday to be marked and organised for the following week.

Please help at home by: Learning sounds and hearing reading. Practising number facts to 10 (try 'hit the button' at www.topmarks.co.uk)