

DREGHORN PRIMARY SCHOOL CLASS NEWSLETTER



Primary 2/3 Teacher Miss Hannah

Term 3 Session 2019-2020

This term we will be learning about the following:

<u>Literacy & English</u>: Phonics -Some pupils will continue their work on CVCC words, some will continue learning new diagraph blends and use these to make words and some pupils will continue to learn their spelling words from our Nelson Spelling resource. Weekly spelling homework will continue to be issued to help to reinforce and practise rules taught in class. In the classroom, pupils will take part in active spelling activities and short written tasks. All pupils will begin learning some consonant blends e.g. fl, cl, bl

Reading - We will continue to use SHORS reading strategies (questioning, predicting, inference, monitoring, summarising and visualising). We will continue to develop our reading comprehension skills through a variety of texts, including our Biff, Chip and Kipper stories and Katie Morag stories through our topic. We will also begin looking at some non-fiction texts this term. Writing - We will continue to write weekly news and will focus on using connectives to extend our sentences. We will also focus on writing about our thoughts and feelings in our news writing. We will be writing instructions, persuasive pieces and we will write about our own interesting characters and imaginative stories in writing this term. Some pupils will be aiming to begin independent writing. Some children will continue to develop their confidence in independent writing and some children will be working towards writing longer and more detailed pieces of writing independently.

<u>Numeracy</u>—Some pupils will learn about division and will learn to find tenths of shapes and numbers. Some children will be exploring the link between addition and subtraction and will also be learning about place value (tens and ones). Some children will be learning to add two numbers together when one is hidden and learning to count in 2s. Some children will be learning addition facts for numbers to 5.

<u>Mathematics</u> We will be learning about time (some will be learning about seasons and days and months of the year and some about quarter to and quarter past) 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 practise our team working skills during team games.

In Technologies (including ICT) we will learn: We will use ipads and laptops to begin using our Sumdog resource to help us with our numeracy skills. We will also continue learning some basic word processing skills and drawing skills. We will also discuss the potential dangers online and being safe online.

In RE we will learn about: Christianity. We will listen to and learn about the Easter story and ways in which Christians celebrate Easter.

Expressive Arts

Our expressive arts will be taught through our topic theme. 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 and Thursday
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.