DREGHORN PRIMARY SCHOOL CLASS NEWSLETTER



## Primary 2 Term - 2

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 words, some will be learning diagraph blends and beginning to use these to make short words and some pupils will continue to learn their spelling words from our Nelson Spelling resource. Weekly spelling homework will 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.

**Reading** - We will be learning reading strategies 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 begin the term with personal writing through weekly news. We will also be covering imaginative and instructional writing pieces and will focus on capital letters and full stops. Many pupils will be aiming to begin independent writing. Some children will be working towards writing longer and more detailed pieces of writing independently.

<u>Numeracy</u> – At the beginning of this term we will be continuing to focus on addition and subtraction within 20 and learning about numbers to 100. 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.

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

## <u>Our topic is</u>: Toys

We will begin this topic looking at the toys many of us know and love! We will participate in art, science, writing and ICT activities based on the theme of toys. We will then look at toys from the past as our main focus will be on the differences in toys from the past until now. We will look at how these toys are made and how technology has changed toys throughout the years. Through toys and Health and Wellbeing we will learn the differences between needs and wants. One of the other activities we will participate in is to design a toy using recyclable and every day materials.

In PE we will be learning about and practising: Rugby and Hockey. We will also practise our social dances on the lead up to Christmas.

In Technologies (including ICT) we will learn: We will use ipads and laptops to continue using our Sumdog resource to help us with our numeracy skills. We will be designing and producing a toy over the term.

In RE we will learn about: Celebrating Christmas - the traditions around this Christian festival and why/how people celebrate it.

## Expressive Arts

Our Art and Design will be taught through our topic theme and Christmas. We will create autumn themed art, draw sketches of our favourite toys and participate in Christmas themed activities. We will role play in our Toy Shop role play area. In music, we will learn some songs we will be performing in our nativity.

<u>Other information</u>: PE days: Thursday and Friday You will be kept informed of any other things which may be happening this term.

Library day: Tuesday

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 <u>www.topmarks.co.uk</u>)