



DREGHORN PRIMARY SCHOOL
CLASS NEWSLETTER

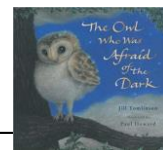


Primary 3

Teacher: Miss Hutchison

Term: 2

Session: 2019-2020



This term we will be learning about the following:

Literacy & English:

This term we will work together to read and discuss the story 'The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark' by Jill Tomlinson. All children will participate in a book study, completing a variety of comprehension activities to explore the characters, setting and events in great depth. Most children will learn to read, write and make words using a variety of consonant blends, including shr, thr, scr, spr and str. In Writing, we will create persuasive letters on the topic of plastic pollution. We will also write short imaginative stories using the context of Hallowe'en and Christmas.

Numeracy & Mathematics: This term most children will begin learning the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables, with a focus on being able to recall all facts quickly and accurately. Children are strongly encouraged to learn and practise all tables at home using their different flashcards. In Maths, all pupils in Primary 3 will explore the use of positional language to give, follow and record different directions. We will begin telling the time using o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to on a digital and analogue clock.



Our Topic: This term we will continue to learn about the seashore, with a focus on discussing current world issues, particularly the effect of plastic pollution on our oceans, beaches and marine wildlife. We will work on raising awareness across our school and local community by creating posters and short animations. Primary 3 will also use the story 'The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark' to research and record facts about owls. We will explore what happens to the sun and moon during day and night.



Health and Well-being:

This term we will explore what happens to our bodies when we are asleep and why this is important in maintaining a healthy lifestyle. **In PE we will:** develop skills in hockey and social dance. Please ensure that full gym kit is brought to school on the required days and that all jewellery (including earrings) are removed. Please note that shoes worn outside during playtime and lunch should not be worn in the gym hall.

In Technologies (including ICT) we will: apply our knowledge of using directional language through exploring a variety of coding apps, including Scratch Jr and Lightbot. We will program characters with instructions enabling us to create simple animations. We will also continue to develop our word processing skills through using Microsoft Word. We will type short texts and change the size, colour and style of fonts.

In RE we will: revise the nativity story and learn how Christmas is celebrated around the world.



Expressive Arts (Art, Music, Drama, Dance)

Art: We will create different Christmas crafts using a variety of materials. We will also explore the use of colour by creating beautiful firework pictures using oil pastels. We will use clay to create models of owls.

Music: We will explore the use of a variety of percussion instruments. We will also focus on learning different Christmas songs in preparation for the upcoming P1-3 nativity 'Prickly Hay'.

Drama: We will use the context of Hallowe'en and Christmas to explore mime, freeze frame and hot seating.

Other information:

PE days: Monday and Thursday

Library day: Wednesday



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