Mr Gillen Primary 2 **Term 1**Session 2023-2024

Dear Parents and Carers.

I hope this newsletter will provide you with valuable information about what the children will be learning during their first term in Primary 2. The children will have the opportunity to develop a range of skills and learn about topics suited to their interests through our play-based approach.

I am really looking forward to us working together.

Many thanks, Mr Gillen

Outdoor Learning

This term we will be exploring our outdoor environment using different loose parts and natural resources. We will focus on working collaboratively to construct different shelters.



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Numeracy

This term we will continue to develop our skills and knowledge of addition and subtraction using concrete materials. We will focus on the strategies of using doubles, counting on and counting back.

Within whole number, we will extend our knowledge of place value using tens and units to 99. We will develop our awareness of the value of single digits through the use of partitioning.

In Mathematics, we will learn the names of 2D shapes and 3D objects and their properties whilst exploring pictures and patterns.

We will also learn to name and sequence months of the year and make links to special calendar events.

Literacy

Reading - This term we will develop our reading and comprehension strategies using PM Reading. We will use our knowledge of sounds to decode words and extend our bank of sight vocabulary.

Writing - We will be using our knowledge of simple sentence structures to extend our writing of a personal experience, observation or description and check that our writing makes sense. In handwriting, we will revise the letter formation for all lowercase letters and capital letters. We will then extend our learning to include basic letter joins.

Talking and Listening - Using our 'Give Me 5' listening skills we will practice listening and responding to a range of texts in both large and small group settings.

Health and Wellbeing



During PE lessons, we will be establishing routines, participating in gymnastics and developing greater ball control.

As part of Health and Wellbeing we will be learning all about positive relationships and developing our emotional vocabulary using Emotion Works. We will also look at the UNCRC Rights of a Child and use this to create our class charter.

Reminders

Seesaw - Please remember to check Seesaw regularly for classroom updates and announcements.

P.E. - Wednesday and Thursday.
Children require a gym bag, shorts
and gym shoes. Gym bags will then
remain in school and will be sent home
at the end of each term to be
freshened up.

Outdoor Learning - Monday