

2023-2024 Term 3

CLASS NEWSLETTER



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Back to School

Welcome Back!

We hope you had a lovely Christmas holiday full of lots of festive fun. Thank you to the children for all their hard work, and to you for your support, this session so far. We hope you are ready for Term 3. We have lots more fun learning activities to look forward to. As always, if you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the office to arrange a phone call or an appointment.

Literacy

This term we will be learning the Scots poem 'Nessie'. A copy of the poem will come home to allow your child to practise and learn at home. On the week beginning 29th January, the children will recite the poem in class. Three finalists will be chosen to go forward to our school Scots Poetry competition on Thursday 8th February.

Reading - The children will continue to read three times a week in class. We will continue to practise reading comprehension skills, in particular our summarising strategy. We will also be focussing on being able to answer questions on what we have read to show our understanding. A reading book will come home each week and the children are encouraged to practise reading and discuss their book at home.

Writing - This term's focus for Writing will be on writing Procedure and Persuasive texts. The children are always encouraged to develop their use of vocabulary to add description to their writing and using full stops to write in sentences.

Grammar - In Grammar work, we will be learning about verbs - what they are, where they are needed in sentences and extending our range of verbs to include verbs that are more interesting. We will be learning about alphabetical order and practising to proof read our own and others' work to check it makes sense.

Numeracy and Mathematics

Addition and Subtraction - developing strategies that can help solve calculations mentally, within and beyond numbers to 100.

Money - recognising and accurately using coins and notes up to £20, to pay for items and work out the correct change to be given.

Multiplication and Division - continuing to explore times tables as 'groups of' a number and recalling times table facts from the 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables. We will also be revising the relationship between multiplication and division.

Time - learning to tell quarter past and quarter to times on digital and analogue clocks.

Maths - exploring the area of different shapes and developing our ability to estimate and measure these. We will also be exploring 2D shapes and 3D objects, learning the names of these and discussing their properties.

Health & Wellbeing



This term we will be focusing on The Glencairn Way and our four values - be kind, be honest, be determined and be respectful. Ask your child about what they do to follow The Glencairn Way. We will also be learning about healthy lifestyles and the importance of a balanced diet and rest and sleep.

Other Curricular Areas

Our topic for this term will be Scotland through which the children will engage in a variety of discussions and activities about Scotland's history. We will also begin to explore Minibeasts as springtime rolls in.

Our gym days are



Wednesday and Friday

Gym kit should include shorts and gym shoes.

For safety, jewellery should not be worn on gym days and if earrings cannot be removed, they must be covered by tape.

Please ensure all items of clothing are labelled.

What you can do to help your child

Literacy -

- Encourage your child to read a variety of texts e.g. books, comics, recipes, instructions and discuss, retell or answer questions on what they have read.

Numeracy -

- Counting forwards and backwards from any number
- Practice times tables
- Some useful websites and games:

Topmarks ICT games