

ST MARK'S PS PRIMARY 4/5 TERM 2 PARENT INFORMATION LETTER



WELCOME BACK!

Welcome back! It was great to speak to you at parents' night. I hope you all had a lovely October break. We have a busy second term ahead full of learning and fun.

You can find updates of our class and school on our school website

https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/na/stmarksirvine/

CLASS INFORMATION

Our class will be supported by our Classroom Assistants Mrs Logue and Mrs McInnes. We have **PE time on Tuesdays and Wednesdays**. Every day we try to have at least 15 minutes of physical activity to keep our minds and bodies healthy. Please ensure your child comes to school with a filled water bottle so that they can stay hydrated throughout the school day. On PE days it would be great if your child could come to school with trainers on or a change of shoes in their bag. Also people who wear jewellery to school, if this could remain at home on PE days where possible that would help a great deal with changing time.

This term again, **reading** is our focus for **homework**. Your child's reading book will be sent home in their bag for them to practise at home. They will also have their red reading diary for you to comment on their progress at home.

LITERACY

In reading we will be doing a Novel Study of 'The Twits' by Roald Dahl. This novel makes links with other areas of the curriculum too and will be our term 2 class topic. We will be continuing to work through the spelling planner within our spelling groups practising a range of sounds and patterns as well as topic, common and tricky words. In Listening and Talking we will be working on embedding the 5 listening rules through different activities. We will be using the PM writing scheme and will be learning about different text types and using their structure to create our own.

NUMERACY

In numeracy the children will be learning to apply the four number processes of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division to different tasks. We will also be looking at different mental maths strategies that can be used to solve different problems. In maths the children will learn about coordinates and symmetry with Mr Kilpatrick.

ACROSS THE CURRICULUM

In ICT we will be learning about the features of Microsoft Word and Microsoft Powerpoint We will also be continuing to work on our typing skills. In RE the children will be learning about signs and symbols of religion with Mr Kilpatrick. In Spanish the children are looking at birthdays and asking and answering questions about the date and weather using some of the vocabulary they learned in term 1. In science we will be learning about different types of energy and how we can the more sustainable in our use of different energy sources.

If there is anything you need please don't hesitate to contact me.

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