

Primary 3 Newsletter - Term 2

Literacy & English

In Literacy, children will continue to work through the PM Reading scheme, developing their comprehension skills and reading ability as they progress through the colour bands. We will also look at non-fiction texts as well as other reading comprehension tasks. All children will continue to learn to spell a variety of words. In writing, we will be looking to increase the variety of connectives, adjectives and punctuation used to ensure our sentences are of a high quality. We will build upon the skills learned in our description writing lessons, last term, to write procedure texts. We will also develop our talking & listening skills, working with others in a range of group & paired tasks across the curriculum. Spelling homework will continue to be uploaded to Seesaw on Mondays.

Numeracy & Mathematics

In Numeracy, children will be continuing with addition and subtraction in a vertical format, with and without regrouping. All children will also explore 2D shapes and 3D objects, learning to name a variety of these and describe their properties. They will also learn to plot and read grid references.

Health & Wellbeing

This term we will continue to use our Bounceback programme to develop mental resilience. We will focus on ways to 'bounce back' from challenging situations as well as learning how to deal with bullying behaviour.

P.E. will continue to take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Our focus this term will be basketball and social dancing. Please ensure children have an appropriate change of clothes on these days.

Religious & Moral Education

This term many of our Primary Three children will begin to prepare for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

All children will be involved in retelling the story of the Birth of Jesus as they participate in our Nativity performance. They will learn to recognise important symbols related to Advent and Christmas. Children will learn about John the Baptist and the Baptism of Jesus. They will listen to stories about the lives of some well-known Saints such as Saint Francis of Assisi and St. Andrew.

STEAM

With Mrs Corkindale, children will explore the forces exerted by magnets on other magnets and magnetic materials, learning how poles repel and opposite poles attract. Children will also create seasonal art, using a variety of mediums, and will make clay Christmas baubles to be sold at our Christmas Fayre. With Mrs McDonald, children will continue to develop their skills with Microsoft Word and PowerPoint.

French & Mandarin

We will continue to revise greetings, feelings, numbers, colours, weather and days of the week. We will also learn the months of the year.