



NEWSLETTER

Primary 3T – Term 1

SETTLING IN

The children have settled quickly into their new class and routines.

NUMERACY AND MATHS

Revision of numbers to 121 and beyond and development of mental addition and subtraction skills. This term we will be learning about

- Symmetry
- Measurement
- Place value to 121 and beyond.
- Ordering and sequencing numbers to 121 and beyond.
- Addition and subtraction within 121 and beyond with a particular focus on the quick recall of addition and subtraction facts within 20.



Ideas to support numeracy at home

- Practise addition and subtraction facts within 20.
- Practise counting forwards and backwards from any number to 121 and beyond.
- Practise sequencing numbers to 121 and beyond eg number before/after/in-between.
- Topmarks – Hit the Button <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>
- Sumdog - https://www.sumdog.com/user/sign_in (you will need your username and password to access the games).

LITERACY

SPELLING - Active Literacy spelling resources will be used to enable children to spell commonly used words.

WRITING - Descriptive writing will be developed. Use of a wider range of vocabulary and punctuation will be encouraged.

READING - PM fiction and non-fiction books will be used to develop literacy skills, with follow-up work to reinforce knowledge and understanding of reading.

Ideas to support literacy at home

- Read a wide variety of stories with your child and ask them questions that begin with 'who, what, when, where, how or why'.
- Revise the common word and spelling word lists that have been sent home.
- Oxford Owls <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/?selLanguage=en&mode=hub> Click on 'My Class Login' Username – todd1 Password - read · Choose a book to read for enjoyment. (Age appropriate)



HOMEWORK

We are looking at homework being sent to your child electronically but more information will be sent to you in due course. **Please ensure that you sign and return the 'Safe use of the Internet Policy Form' as soon as possible.**

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

- Development of collaborative working skills through community building activities.
- Sharing feelings
- Keeping healthy.
- We are unable to take part in P.E activities within the school at the moment. However we will be going outside if the weather allows. Please ensure that your child comes to school with a jacket and suitable footwear.
- Water bottles brought into the classroom to drink should contain **WATER ONLY**. Children can drink juice at playtime and lunchtime if they wish.

Fruity Friday

Children can earn house points by eating fruit for their snack on a Friday.

TOPIC / SCIENCE

This term the topic will be 'Owls'. We will be using the story of 'The Owls who was afraid of the Dark' to develop literacy skills. We will also be learning about:

- The characteristics of an owl.
- Their habitats..
- Eating habits and food chains.
- The life cycle of an owl.
- Nocturnal animals