



Primary 3 Class Newsletter

Term 1 August – November 2026



LITERACY

Reading: This term reading will continue to boost comprehension through the use of predicting whilst reading and listening to stories. We will introduce key sounds – blends and phonemes, that the children will reinforce through their reading. **Writing:** This term our writing sessions will focus on writing recounts and narrative texts. We will use our knowledge of grammar such as capital letters, full stops, nouns and verbs to expand our writing. **Listening & Talking:** The focus will be on vocabulary and communication skills. These interactions improve concentration, strengthen social-emotional bonds and help children process emotions. They be introduced to how to listen attentively through whole body listening, e.g. look at the person who is talking, use of body language and movement to express feelings and thoughts.

NUMERACY AND MATHS

This term the children will learn about number and number processes including place value up to 1000, ordering numbers, partitioning them, identifying more and less, placing them on a number line. We will also develop an understanding of patterns and relationships to include numerical patterns, pictorial patterns and patterns in the environment. We will develop our understanding of estimation and rounding of numbers to help with calculations including addition and subtraction of larger numbers. In Maths we will develop our ability to identify the properties of 2D and 3D shapes to include sides, vertices and faces. We will use this knowledge to explore shapes within the environment.

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

This term in Health and Wellbeing, Primary 3 will be focusing on **understanding and managing our feelings and emotions**. Through a range of activities, the children will learn to recognise a wide range of emotions, identify how feelings can affect thoughts and actions, and develop strategies to help them navigate challenging situations. By developing these important skills, we aim to help our learners become more confident, resilient and able to build positive relationships both in school and beyond.

IDL (INTERDISCIPLINARY LEARNING)

This term our new topic will be ***Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*** by Roald Dahl. Through this exciting and imaginative story, the children will take part in a wide variety of learning experiences across the curriculum.

We will incorporate and investigate Fair Trade through this topic and through inquiry-based learning, the children will discover where cocoa beans come from, how chocolate is made and learn about countries involved in chocolate production.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Our gym days will be on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Children need shorts or jogging trousers and indoor gym shoes to change into when gym is in the gym hall. Please ensure that all jewellery is removed including earrings. If earrings cannot be removed, then please provide your child with tape that they are able to put on and take off themselves.

We will have some gym sessions outside too.

This term we are developing our fitness and our ball skills.