



Primary 1 Newsletter Term 3

April 2023 - June 2023

Miss Mitchell



Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you and your families enjoyed the Easter Spring Break and managed to enjoy some sunshine! Although April is quite a short month for us at school, it proves to be a very busy time for us as we enter our last term of the academic year!

We love to share our learning with each other and with you. You can follow our learning journey on Twitter @Noble_P_S.

Literacy and English

What will we be learning?

Reading/Phonics/Spelling:

We are learning digraph phonemes such as sh, ch, th and ng this term and will be focussing on building words using these phonemes using Elkonin boxes. We will continue to learn and build upon our common word knowledge. We will be practising and revising our phonemes and common words through magnetic boards, songs, active games, written tasks and collaborative work. Children will receive two books a week (Mon/Wed). The banded books children receive encourage common words practise. We will be focussing on recognising beginning sounds and learned phonemes to help read unfamiliar and tricky words. This term, we will be continuing to work on our comprehension skills to answer a range of retrieval questions.

Writing:

We are continuing to use 'Talk for Writing'- an approach used to retell stories using story maps. It helps build language skills, develop vocabulary, and create a story format, which can be used in writing. This term, we will be focussing on Traditional Tales with a particular focus on a losing tale. We have made great progress with writing independently, applying our common words and using word mats to write sentences.

Talking and Listening:

We will continue to learn about the qualities of a good listener and have opportunities to develop these skills through circle time and collaborative learning. We will also have opportunities to develop talking skills through drama conventions such as hot seating. We will be developing our presenting skills in our upcoming class showcase.



Numeracy and Maths

What will we be learning?

Mental Maths:

Through a variety of games, we will be practicing reading, writing, sorting, ordering and showing amounts of our teen numbers.

Mental Agility:

Mental Agility skills will be developed daily through 'Number Talks' where children will use different strategies to explain how they solved mathematical problems. We will be recapping addition and subtraction strategies learned.

Maths Topics:

This term we will be continuing our work on time, with a focus on reading and writing o'clock and half past times both digitally and on an analog clock.

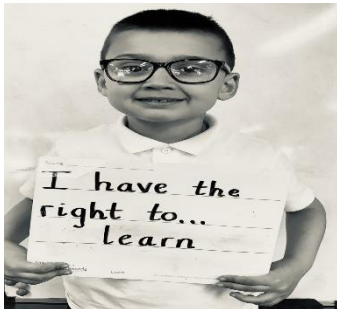
We will also be learning about measure, using knowledge of everyday objects to provide reasonable estimates of length, height, mass and capacity.

Our final maths topic will focus on data handling and analysis. We will be collecting objects and asking questions to gather information. We will be learning how to organise and display our findings in a variety of ways.



Health and Wellbeing

What will we be learning?



PE Focus:

Our PE days are Tuesday (indoors) and Thursday (outdoors). This term we will be developing our large ball skills and orienteering skills.

Building Resilience:

This term we are learning about "Expect the Unexpected". The focus of this topic is to recognise that we cannot protect ourselves from change, as it is part of life. This topic will focus allow the children to understand that change is not unique to them but happens to everyone and can prepare them for a future full of unknowns.

Right of the Month:

We continue to participate in the Outright campaign, which supports children to learn about their rights with a particular focus on the right to the best possible health. Within the campaign, we will be focussing on Articles 2, 3, 6, 12, 13, 23, 24. These articles highlight the right to life, right to express views and non-discrimination. We will also be learning about Article 40 - the right to get legal help.

SHANARRI Focus:

Our SHANARRI indicator for this term will focus on Inclusion.

IDL and Topic Work	Other Curricular Areas
<p><u>Social Studies/Science :</u> This term our topic will be focussed on Julia Donaldson's book 'The Snail and the Whale'. A delightful take of adventure and friendship that illustrates no matter how small they are, anyone can achieve great things if they put their mind to it. We will be showcasing our learning of our topic in our class showcase - see date below.</p>	<p><u>RME:</u> This term we will be learning about Welcoming a Baby in Judaism.</p> <p><u>French:</u> The French vocabulary we will be learning this term is body parts.</p> <p><u>Art:</u> This term we will be developing our painting skills by creating art pieces of landscapes. We will also be focussing on artwork by Kadinsky.</p> <p><u>Music/Drama:</u> This term we will performing a showcase relating to our Snail and the Whale topic where there will be opportunities to showcase our presenting, singing and drama skills.</p>

Forthcoming Events
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outdoor Learning Block - 4th, 11th, 25th May, 1st, 8th, 22nd June • Class showcase - 17th May • Jotters home - 28th April/ 9th June • Sponsored Dance-a-thon - 5th May • World of Work Week - 15th-19th May • Sports Day - 19th May • P1 & P2/1 Class Trip to Valley View Adventure Park - 31st May • Noble's Got Talent - 22nd June • Wider Achievement Assembly - 27th June

Arrangements for Home Learning
<p>Home learning folders will be issued on a Monday and returned on a Friday. Each week there will be a range of activities focusing on new phonemes and common words, a numeracy focus and 2 reading books, which are introduced on a Monday and Wednesday.</p>