

Primary 3/2 Class Newsletter

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Happy New Term everyone! P3/2 are beginning a new topic about our local community. We are very excited to look at what our community was like years ago and compare it to now! We are still focussing on our listening skills this term and are remembering our lovely manners now.

Interdisciplinary Study

We have started the new term with our IDL topic, 'Local Community'. We will be learning lots of new things about our community past and present. This gives the children opportunities to learn more about their home town and explore ideas for the new school. We are excited to explore different STEM activities through this.

Literacy

For Term 3 we are continuing to focus on reading as the children are learning the importance of using word attack strategies. Please ensure your child is reading at least a few times a week at home. We have created a snigloo in class to encourage reading for fun. Our main writing genre for this term is **Persuasive**. We are using spelling strategies for tricky words such as spotting a phoneme, sounding out the first few letters, using syllables and word within a word, more in class and this makes us feel more confident with writing. We are learning to write longer sentences independently. We are doing this through the use of connectives (and, but, so, because, or).

Things to remember

Please remember to come to school with appropriate clothing for PE on our PE days, such as trainers, a light waterproof/windproof jacket and leggings or joggers.

Our days for PE this year are Tuesday and Wednesday.

If bringing a bottle of water to school, please remember this cannot be flavoured water or diluting juice.

Homework should be **handed in every week** if possible. The documents are on Microsoft Teams each month to follow or highlighted in homework jotters if returned.

Numeracy

Our main focus this term will be patterns and time. We are exploring identifying patterns around us and creating them with different materials and objects. We have a full morning dedicated to number work to ensure the children are continually consolidating and using their number knowledge eg counting in tens off the decade 3, 13, 23, 33, 43, 53...

We enjoy playing different SEAL number games in class for mental maths too.

In P3/2 we enjoy using Sumdog and taking part in challenges. Sumdog is allowing us to practise all these tricky skills on our own and is encouraged at home too.

Upcoming events:

February Break: 14th, 15th, 16th February 2022.

Easter Holidays- 1st April- 18th April 2022.