

Focus for Learning

August-October

Primary 2/3



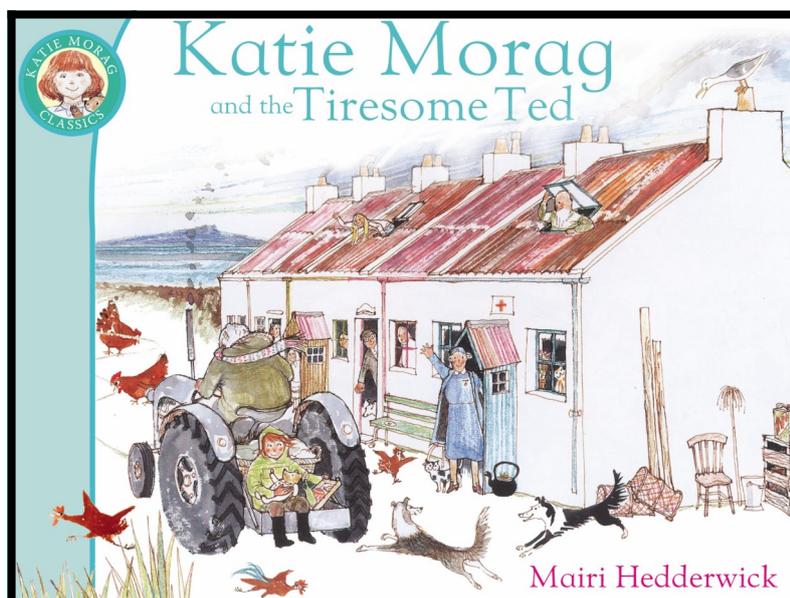
Language

We will be using the Katie Morag stories as a stimulus for our writing tasks this term and we will be focussing on sequencing story events in order using Beginning, Middle and End Activities. We will be describing the main characters and story setting, The Isle Of Struay.

The children will be linking events in Katie's life to their own and write in the narrative genre stories such as A new baby, Being in a bad mood and Losing your favourite toy. There will be other opportunities to write for a purpose including persuasive- Lost teddy poster and a weather report.

There will be many opportunities for Talking and Listening linked to our class topic as we discuss Katie and her actions and feelings using different story titles in the Katie Morag series.

We will be discussing moods and emotions, feelings of jealousy and saying sorry for our actions through the story Katie Morag and The Tiresome Ted.



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Numeracy and Maths

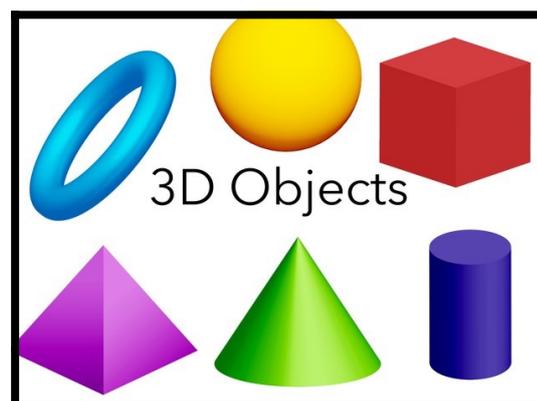
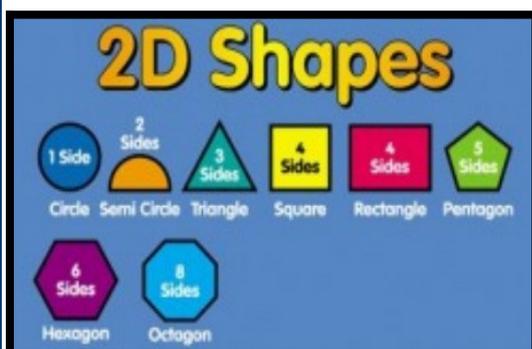
There will be lots of ongoing revision and assessments this term before a starting point for new learning is identified.

Number and Place Value will be the main focus for learning this term.

We will be revising numbers to 10, 20, 50, 100 and beyond for some pupils. The children will be revising writing numbers, counting, ordering and sequencing using whiteboards, interactive games and hands on materials such as number lines, counters and cubes. We will be looking at patterns in the 100 number square and identifying odd and even numbers.

We will be looking at Place value tens and units with some pupils working with larger numbers- hundreds.

In Maths we are revising 2d flat shape names and are recognising shapes are all around us in our environments. We will also look at 3d solid shapes in the context of Katie Morag's parcels in the post office by sorting Mr McColl's mail. We will also do some information handling by collecting and displaying information on favourite weather, and favourite toys.



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Health and Wellbeing

Our focus for this term is being SAFE.

Lots of activities have taken place to help the children settle back into the classroom setting and school life.

The Emotion Works Coronavirus Helping Box activities have been carried out to help pupils think about their feelings and how they can use breathing techniques and mindfulness to help them feel calm, safe and secure.

The Colour Monster text was also used to help the children discuss mixed up feelings and to help them talk about and sort feelings out eg, happy, sad, calm, anger.

We will continue to use calming, breathing techniques in class and relaxation music as well as discussing feelings and emotions. Keeping ourselves safe from the virus will also remain a focus this term.

Physical Education

This term we will be focusing on being active outdoors.

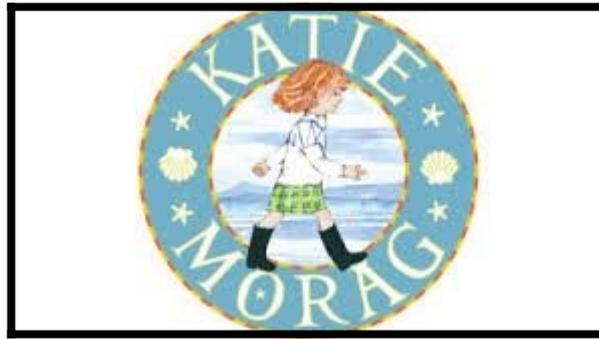
We will be learning skills to work well with each other in team games. We will be working on our listening and concentration skills as we play outdoor games and use our equipment box.



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Topic Katie Morag



This term we will be learning about island life and comparing this to living on the mainland. We will find out all about Katie's adventures and learn more about weather, animals, transport, jobs and things to see and do on the island.

We will also be learning some old Scots sayings as many come up in the stories. The children will be learning about Scottish traditions and customs including traditional tartan and how it is made. We will also look at Scottish foods, music and traditional dancing.

Many art, music and drama tasks will be based around the Katie Morag titles.

Our fabulous art work has started as the children have designed new tartan kilts for Katie and some colourful new wellies. They are really putting their hearts and souls into the topic already! I will post pictures of our displays soon.