

WRITING

This term we are learning to use our imagination and make up our own narrative stories about the Farm. We are creating our own endings and learning to describe the setting using amazing adjectives! We could do! We will also be learning to write instructions and we will be baking shortbread, making butter and growing our own cress so we will know exactly what to write in our instructions!



MATHS

In Maths this term we will be learning all about money, the value of different coins and notes and how we can pay with things without actually handing over cash so investigating credit cards, debit cards and cheques. If at all possible please talk to your child about money, budgeting and the value of coins to get them used to the language used. We will also be learning all about multiplication and division and I would be delighted if by the end of Primary 2 the children are able to recite their 2 and 10 times tables!

INTERDISCIPLINARY

This term we will explore the theme of 'On the Farm'. The children will explore the different animals found on the farm, the daily routine of a Scottish farmer and the journey our food takes from Farm to Fork. As part of this topic a class trip has been arranged to The Museum of Rural Life in East Kilbride where the children will get an opportunity to explore a real farm and the machinery used. Details regarding this will follow before the February break.

HEALTH & WELL BEING

The children will be learning about Healthy Eating with Miss Loughran and as part of their IDL topic. They will learn all about making healthy choices and it would be great to see some healthy snacks being brought in at playtime.

PE

Your child will participate in 2 sessions of PE per week and will focus on Hockey and Athletics this term. PE will be on a **Tuesday and Thursday**. I would be grateful if you could make sure your child comes prepared with full gym kit. them and plasters if earrings cannot be removed and need to be covered.



HOMEWORK

Homework will continue to be issued on a Monday and should be returned to school on a Friday. The children will be given a paper copy of the homework tasks for each week but a copy of the homework will also appear on the Blog as of mid February. We will continue to focus on reading, spelling, number work and topic. Please ensure that your child's homework jotter and maths booklet are signed each week after they have been completed.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

This term in Primary 2 we will be focusing on the Sacrament of Baptism and I thank you for taking the time to send in some Christening pictures of your children. They have taken pride of place on our wall display. As we journey through Lent we will also be talking about sacrifice and how we can grow closer to God as we prepare for Easter.

UNIFORM

Please ensure that you label your child's clothing so that it does not get mixed up with any of their classmates. We are encouraging them to become responsible citizens and therefore I expect them to look after their own belongings. **Soft shoes are also required for indoors** and I would like to thank you in advance for your co-operation with this. It helps to keep the classroom clean and tidy and is more comfortable for the children especially when it is wet outside.

I look forward to what I am sure will be another busy few months in school. I have loved seeing the progress made by your children since August and I am excited to see them grow over the next few months. As always if you need to contact me please feel free to see me at the end of the day or call the office to arrange an appointment.

Thank you!

Mrs Easton



Primary 2 Newsletter Term 3 2016

Primary 2 is great fun! Learning Hockey, the Daily Mile and baking shortbread, what's not to love?!



I can't believe how quickly the first half of this year has gone and now as we head towards Easter and Spring I would like to share all of the exciting things we still have planned for Primary 2!.

LITERACY

This term in literacy we will be focusing on our comprehension skills. We will be finding information in our reading books and answering questions about what we have read. To help the children practise these skills please ask them questions about their book as you read with them each night and encourage them to answer in a sentence.

The children will continue to work through the weekly Phonics programme and be expected to learn 3 or 4 weekly spelling words. Please use the time at home not only to complete the spelling task but also to ensure the children are using strategies to actually learn the spelling of the words. Feel free to test the children and have them write the words in their jotter.

Below I have listed a few fun apps and websites that the children may like to use to develop their literacy skills through games and activities:

- Mrs Hedges (<http://misshedges.primaryblogger.co.uk/>)
- Starfall
- Spelling City
- Doorway Online (Numeracy games also found here).
- Topmarks (Numeracy games also found here).