

PE

All children will have a minimum of two hours of PE each week. A timetabled session of Indoor and Outdoor PE will take place and children should be prepared with appropriate PE kit.

At times sports coaches will take children for active sessions and it is advised that **all children bring their PE kit in on a Monday and return it on a Friday** to ensure children can take part.

Whitelees Primary PE kit:

Indoor

- Blue shorts
- Plain white t-shirt
- Indoor soft shoes

Outdoor

- Tracksuit bottoms
- Jumper
- Rain jacket
- Trainers (different from indoor gym shoes)

Please ensure that each item of clothing is clearly labelled with your child's name.



General Information

Class Dojo

This is the reward system we use in Whitelees to promote positive partnerships. You can log on to your child's account and have access to their points and progress. Messages will also be sent to parents and carers via Class Dojo.

Twitter

At Whitelees we like to celebrate success and achievements through our school Twitter page. We often add photographs of children and share important information. Please follow us @WhiteleesPS for regular updates.

Water Bottles

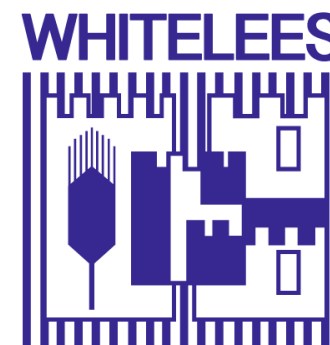
Children are welcome to bring **water** to school. Please ensure your child comes to school each day with fresh water in a clearly marked bottle.



WHITELEES PRIMARY SCHOOL

PRIMARY 3

Parent Guide



Literacy

At Whitelees we follow the North Lanarkshire Active Literacy Programme

Spelling

Children will be introduced to new spelling words each week. They will be taught spelling strategies to encourage them to spell these words independently. All spelling words should be revised at home to prepare children for Friday spelling test.

Reading

Children working on PM reading books will receive a minimum of one book per week. Children working on skinny novels will have a minimum of one chapter per night. Chapters will be noted in their reading diary. Children will work on a number of reading strategies and develop reading comprehension skills. Reading books should be taken home each night to be shared with an adult at home and returned to school the following day.

Writing

Children will have a taught writing session each week with a focus on the following genre features. Narrative, Recount, Report, Information, Persuasion and Instructions. Features of Poetry will also be taught.

Celebrating Success

Each week children will celebrate success through the following awards:

- Star writer
- Capacity Award
- Dojo champ



Maths

Number Talks, Number box, Big Maths and Heinemann are some resources used in Primary 3.

Mental Maths

Children will take part in mental maths lessons each day to develop mental agility in Numeracy.

Number Talks

P3 will develop a variety of mental maths strategies to use when working with numbers.

Big Maths

Core maths skills will be developed through the Big Maths Programme. Children will engage in a variety of active and written based tasks to develop their skills in numeracy.

CLIC Tests

Core maths teaching will be assessed each week in a weekly CLIC test.

Learn Its

Number facts will be taught each week and children should 'learn' them off by heart. Learn Its will be assessed each week. Please practise these at home.

Outer Maths

Outer maths will be taught in block session through a variety of active and practical maths activities. Topics include Time, Money and Shape.



Interdisciplinary Learning and Discrete Subjects

Throughout the year children will have the opportunity to develop their knowledge and understanding of their place in the world through topics in IDL and the teaching of discrete subjects. All learning is relevant and planned for with the children.

Homework

Homework will be given out weekly and should be returned to school on a Friday morning.

Homework will consolidate learning that is taking place in class and help to strengthen knowledge and skills development.

A fortnightly homework sheet will be issued detailing spelling words and a variety of tasks for children to complete.

Reading should be done every night.

