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Primary 3/2 Termly Newsletter-Term 1

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope that you had an enjoyable summer holiday and that you and your child are looking forward to the busy term ahead that leads up to the October week. I thought that you might appreciate some information on what is happening in P3/2 this session.

PE Days

Just a reminder that our PE Days are on a Monday and Wednesday. It would be very helpful if children could bring their kit with them and remove all jewellery before school on those days.



Learning



Topic

This term, for our class topic we will be covering the topic "Space".

Maths

Primary 2 will be revisiting their numbers to 20 and moving on to numbers to 100. We will also be looking at 2D and 3D shapes.

Primary 3 will be consolidating mental addition and subtraction skills within 20. They will also be continuing to work on the written format for addition and subtraction, within their level. Primary 3 will also be re-visiting 3D shapes and introducing more complex 3D shapes. Children will also be revisiting/learning their multiplication tables.

Language

This term, Primary 2 will be revising their single Jolly Phonic sounds from Primary 1 as well as learning new letter blends. They will also be learning to correctly spell some of the simple common words.

Primary 3 will be consolidating alphabetical order this term. We also hope to introduce and revisit some aspects of grammar such as verbs, nouns and adjectives. The children will be working within the Jolly Phonics programme for spelling, in addition to learning more complex common words.

In writing, Primary 2 and Primary 3 will be focusing on the four aspects of VCOP: vocabulary, connectives, openers, and punctuation. The children will be developing peer and self assessment skills within these activities.



Homework

This term our homework pattern will be as follows. All spelling will be issued on a Monday to be returned on s Thursday. Maths homework will be issued on a Tuesday to be returned by Thursday.

Reading homework will be ongoing, please check reading records for this information.

Please remember that homework should not become an additional family stress! If there are any issues around homework, please do not hesitate to let us know.

How you can help at home



Primary 2

Every week, your child will have one 'Learn It's (Mental Maths Activity)' to learn. You will shortly be receiving laminated sheets with all of the Primary 2 Learn Its on them. These are simple addition facts within 20. You can practice these with your child at home as they will be learning a new one each week. Feel free to cut them up or use them as a bingo board!

Primary 3

Every week, your child will have 'Learn Its' to learn. The "Learn Its" will be stapled into the Maths homework jotter. The children will underline which "Learn Its" they have focused on each week. These can be revised at home along with the "Learn Its" from Primary 1 and 2.

You can help your child at home by practicing their reading book regularly and their reading words. At bedtime, you can help to improve your child's vocabulary and confidence in reading unfamiliar texts by reading to them or encouraging them to read some simple stories to you!

Other News

This year, P3/2 are going to start a class blog which will be on the school website. We will be keeping this up to date with all learning and activities happening in our class.

Library day – Thursday

Please ensure that your child returns any books they have borrowed on this day.

I hope that you have found this newsletter useful. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us through the school office.

Kind Regards,

Miss McMillan