Buzzbee's news about P2



Welcome to P2

What are we learning this term?

Literacy and English

Spelling - This term, the children are revising sounds and spelling words they learned in P1, two sounds per week (sh, th, ch etc.) Later in the term we will begin learning new sounds, one new sound per week and will issue new blending books at this time.

Writing - This term, the children will be focusing on improving their writing skills through developing sentence structure, adding connectives (e.g. and, because) and adjectives. We will also continue to practise letter formation and sizing through all written activities.

Reading - Reading books will be sent home on a Monday and collected on a Thursday. Reading books should be brought to school every day for work in class. Please try to read for a short time each night to improve fluency and confidence. Through our Fairytales topic we will focus on understanding and retelling stories.

Numeracy and Maths

In Term 1 we will be covering addition and subtraction, estimation and place value. The children will also be learning about simple expressions and equations, 2D and 3D shapes and symmetry. We will also continue to focus on number formation throughout all written activities. Numeracy and Maths lessons will consist of mental agility, written and active tasks.

Interdisciplinary learning

Our first topic will be 'Fairytales'. The children will experience a range of activities based on a variety of traditional and modern tales such as character comparisons, common themes and sequencing tasks.

Home-Learning

All aspects of home learning are reinforcement tasks to ensure children have daily practice of concepts taught in class. In Term 1, each week will focus on two reinforcement sounds previously taught in Primary 1 before moving on to Primary 2 sounds. The Blending Books are sent home and the activities to practise spelling these are at the back of the book. The home learning grid will also outline the four spelling words for the week. We appreciate the involvement of our parents in completing these with their children. Maths tasks will be outlined in the home learning grid and will focus on a variety of concepts covered in class.

Things to remember:

<u>PE</u> - Our gym days P2S - Monday and Thursday P2M - Tuesday and Friday

Please send a gym bag with a pair of dark shorts and sandshoes/ trainers in with your child. This will be kept in school and sent home regularly to be washed. Children should be dressed in a polo shirt on gym days for ease of changing. We will also be doing PE outside in all types of weather so please dress your child appropriately and with sun cream if need be. Please include a waterproof jacket as we will go out even when it rains.

Uniform - please ensure ALL items of clothing are clearly labelled.

<u>Water bottles</u> - children are encouraged to drink water throughout the day. Please remember it should<u>only</u> be water and not diluting juice. Bottles can be refilled at school.