

Numeracy & Maths

This term class 2 will begin with exploring coordinates and scale linking with our topic of Scotland as we take a look at map reading. Moving on through the term class 2 will explore fractions, money and measure and revisit elements of prior learning linking to time, shape and angles. As we explore fractions class 2 will understand the relationship with decimals and percentages and link this to real life problems. Within the topic of measure, we will explore outdoor learning where there will be opportunities to use tools to measure as well as hands on measuring tasks within the kitchen for cooking. Continuous work on number, relationship and patterns will support pupils to develop their problem-solving skills and mathematical thinking. We will continue to reinforce concrete, pictorial and abstract resources and strategies. Numeracy and maths will promote hands on experiences to allow learners to recognise and make connections with maths and the real world.

Class 2 will be participating in the 'Make £5 Grow' initiative run by Virgin Money where they have the opportunity to discover their inner entrepreneur skills.

Science/Topic**Topic:**

Our topic this term is 'Scotland' where we will explore Scottish culture and traditions. After consultation with the pupils, we are going to explore Scottish weather, where Scotland is located on a map, people in Scottish history and much more. The pupils were consulted on how they would like to learn about Scotland, they expressed they would like to learn through cooking, art and research using digital technology.

Class 2 will also develop digital awareness as we explore staying safe online. We will explore cyber safety to develop our understanding of password security, viruses and responsible use of digital technology.

Science:

Class 2 will explore the Solar System as a science topic throughout term 2. We will explore the planets in the solar system and explore key features of them such as size and distance. We will develop our curiosity by comparing and contrasting planets and further exploring Earth and how it has life. Pupils will have the choice to choose a planet of interest and carry out a research project.

RME /Expressive Arts

RME: Pupils will learn about Ramadan as we explore the religion of Islam and learn about their celebrations. Furthermore, pupils will explore the Easter Story linking to Christianity. We will explore new life as we move into the season of Spring. Through stories, discussions, and creative activities, we will gain a deeper understanding of different beliefs and values, helping us to appreciate a range of cultural and religious traditions.

Expressive Arts: Throughout art and design, pupils will continue to develop their knowledge of the elements of art such as line, tone and shape. We will deepen our understanding by exploring how line and tone work together to create visual illusions. Linking to our topic of Scotland, we will explore places, creating landscape drawings and paintings. We will also explore Scottish Artists and their work. Through P.E we will make links to Dance. Class 2 will be working with Miss Nelson on Thursdays in preparation for the Ayrshire Music Festival.

Literacy & English

Writing: This term class 2 will continue to use elements of Talk for Writing, specifically the box up method involving music and sound to promote creativity within short burst writing. Our focus this term will begin with persuasive writing before moving onto explore poetry which will link with our Scottish Poems.

Phonics: During this term pupils will explore new sounds each week to develop their abilities to encode and decode using a range of strategies. We will look at diacritical marking and blending and encourage pupils to incorporate their sounds into short burst writing.

Group 1 - er/our, th/tch, j/ge/dge, ous, qua, ey/eigh, ea/aigh, ey/ie, ei, ew/ui, o/eu, ew/ew

Group 2 - aw, are, ur, er, ow, ai, oa, ew, ire, ear, tion, tious, cious

Reading: All pupils will continue to develop their reading skills throughout reading in groups and as a whole class exploring novels, further reading practice is encouraged at home. Pupils will regularly explore comprehension as they look at literal, inferential and evaluative questions showing their understanding of a text. Class 2 are coming to the end of the class novel, *The Witches*. Pupils will be consulted on their next class novel.

HWB

In HWB, pupils will continue to explore the Zones of Regulation and strategies to support them for each zone that they may be in. Moving forward pupils will begin to explore healthy eating and healthy lifestyles as we discuss food groups, diets and healthy routines.

PE - This term pupils will work on balance, control, coordination and fluency through a block of gymnastics and dance. Pupils will have the opportunity to explore rolls, jumps, balances and rotations which will enable them to work in groups to create a routine. As pupils work on their routine, they will develop creativity, collaboration and communication skills. On Friday's, class 2 work with Mr Stewart from Carrick Academy exploring invasion games and further skills.

Class 2 P.E. will be on a Tuesday and Friday afternoon.

**Remember that no jewellery should be worn on these days, especially earrings!

Please provide tape if earrings can't be removed, P.E/indoor shoes should be worn**

Opportunities for Personal Achievement

Please take some time at home to talk with your child about something they feel proud of. This might include earning an award in a club, creating a piece of artwork, trying new foods, learning a new skill like tying their shoelaces, or helping at home by washing some dishes or making their bed.

If your child has any awards such as medals or trophies, feel free to send them in or email us a photo—we'd love to add them to our Achievement Wall and celebrate them during assemblies.