

PRIMARY 2/3 CLASS NEWSLETTER - TERM 1



A note from the teacher...



Hello and welcome to Primary 2/3,
We have had a good start to the year, getting to know each other and settling into our new classroom. High expectations have been set for behaviour and effort and we have been reminding the children of our Biggar Bees, school values and routines.

Miss McMillan will teach the class on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and Mrs Barr will teach the class on a Wednesday.

We are very impressed with the effort and enthusiasm from P2/3 and are delighted to be their teachers. Keep up the great work P2/3.

If you have any questions or queries before parents evening, please get in touch with the office who will pass them on to us. We look forward meeting you this year.

Kind Regards,

Miss McMillan and Mrs Barr

Literacy

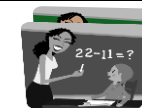


For writing this term, we will be focussing on personal writing and description to practise the core literacy targets such as basic punctuation, letter size, formation and ensuring our writing makes sense.

We are using the NLC Active Literacy approach for phonics and spelling. Phonics and spelling words will be assessed each Friday to track pupil progress.

This term we will be reading a range of whole class fiction texts to revise reading skills and comprehension before moving on to group readers to practise decoding, fluency and phrasing.

Numeracy & Mathematics



In numeracy, we will be learning about place value and rounding.

For maths, we will be learning about grid references.

Homework

This year, homework tasks will be set on Google Classroom on a Monday so please download the app and turn on notifications. Children should complete their homework in their homework jotter and return their homework folder on a Friday.

Homework will consist of spelling (common words) and phonics (sounds we are learning in class). Children will also be issued with a reading book for consolidation at home.

Numeracy and maths will be sent home as and when appropriate.

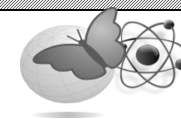
Interdisciplinary Learning & Expressive Arts

For our IDL topic this term, we are taking an inquiry-based approach and allowing the children to have ownership of their own learning. Our little friend 'Hattie the Hedgehog' will visit us with a problem and will pose the question 'What would a perfect future for our school and community look like?'

We are excited to see where the children take their learning and what they will explore.

We will also be completing artwork for Biggar Little Festival, which will be displayed around the town for the duration of the festival - so keep your eyes, peeled!

Science, RME & Technologies



On a Tuesday afternoon, Mrs Ellwood will be teaching the children Science. This term they will be learning about sound vibrations and waves.

For Technology, we will be familiarising the children with Google Classroom and practising typing skills.

Health & Wellbeing



Our P.E. days are a Tuesday (indoor) and Friday (outdoor).

Please ensure your child comes to school dressed in appropriate P.E. kit, **e.g.** leggings, shorts, t-shirt, joggers. For their own safety, Children **must** have suitable shoes to participate in PE lessons.

Our focus for PE will be to improve fitness, coordination and movement through games.

Our Health and Wellbeing focus this term will be "Being Me in My World" from our whole school Health and Wellbeing programme, Jigsaw.

