Room 5 - Term 1 Newsletter

Literacy

This term we will be focusing on what makes a good sentence including the appropriate use of capital letters and full stops, ensuring finger spaces between words and applying our spelling rules. This will develop into a focus on VCOP where we will learn to make use of better vocabulary (wow words), connectives to extend sentences, openers which are more exciting and different punctuation.

We will revise our phonemes (letters/sounds) and common words from P2 before moving on to look at Stage 3 Active Literacy. Each day we will recall our sounds use a variety of strategies to practice accurate spelling of both phoneme and common words.

During reading we will be doing a whole class novel, 'The owl who was afraid of the dark'. We are going to focus on the core skills of comprehension and summarising what we have read whilst building on our recall of events in order to help us create detailed written work.

<u>Numeracy</u>

Cuboids –

*sequencing, counting on/back in 2s, 5s & 10s *addition facts to 100 *ordering numbers to 1000 *subtracting single digits from double digits *function machines *3 digit numbers

Spheres -

*ordering numbers to 10000*partitioning*doubles and near doubles*subtraction within 1000*sequencing to 1000*function machines*subtracting near doubles*addition within 1000

Continuing to work on our maths flashcards within the class and at home to enable individuals to practice their number bonds at their own pace, children should successfully answer all of their flashcards in 20 seconds on 3 occasions before progressing to the next set.

In Beyond Number, Room 5 will look at 2d shapes, their use in our everyday lives, names and properties. We will also look at length and area. These topics will be covered by Mrs Smith.



Primary 3/4

Health And Wellbeing

The class are developing the knowledge and understanding of their emotions and strategies to help deal with them. They will also be looking at how to help others when their emotions become too much.

Each week, we will have 2 gym slots - Monday PM and Thursday AM. PE may be taken either indoors or outdoors, so please ensure your child is suitably dressed.

In the early weeks we will work on getting to know each other's strengths, weaknesses and what they enjoy before focusing on teamwork skills and developing physical fitness. Later in the term we will look at movement, performance and dance.

Important Information

It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school and I look forward to getting to know them better over the coming year, however if there is anything that you wish to communicate to me, please note it in your child's Ready Steady Learn which will be sent home weekly. Please take time to discuss with your son/daughter any comments made by the teacher in the RSL and assist your child in completing their personal comment before signing and returning it to school on Monday morning.

Please note homework is to be handed in on a **<u>Thursday</u>**. It may also be handed in throughout the week as and when it is completed.

Please ensure that any clothing or personal items such as lunch boxes and water bottles are clearly labelled with your child's name and class to prevent them from getting lost.







