

Room 5 - Term 2

Newsletter

Literacy

This term we will be focusing on persuasive writing such as 'why should we do the hobby you do?' Or 'Give me reasons why Newfield Primary School is the best?' Children will work on skills to use the appropriate language to answer these types of questions. They will continue to include VCOP to all their written pieces of work ensuring the use of better vocabulary (wow words), different connectives to extend their sentences, openers which are more exciting and using a range of punctuation.

We are beginning to introduce Stage 3 phonemes, these include 'ea,' 'wa' and 'th' phonemes. Our weekly phoneme will be linked to the homework words the children get home. We will continue to use different strategies to break, blend and write these words in class.

Our reading sessions will find children working in smaller groups reading short stories appropriate to their book banded level. Children will continue to develop their understanding of metalinguistics and how their prior knowledge can help them.

Numeracy

Cuboids –

- *adding and subtracting a range of sequences – 9, 11, 19, 21
- *adding and subtracting 2 digit numbers
- *2, 4 and 8 times tables
- *dividing by 2, 4 and 8
- *estimating quantities to 20
- *rounding to the nearest 10 or 100

Spheres -

- *formal method of addition and subtraction including carrying or exchanging
- *consolidating all times tables, including dividing
- *rounding to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000
- * estimating up to 100

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 weight; using grams and kilograms and data handling; bar charts, pictograms and databases. These topics will be covered by Mrs Smith.

Mrs Murray

Primary 3/4

Health And Wellbeing

This term we will be looking at food technology and health. We will have the opportunities for practical cooking sessions as well as understanding how foods should be stored and dangers that accompany this.

Children will have to create clear, safe rules for preparing food and will be expected to always adhere to these to ensure everyone safety.

Children will continue to have 2 gym slots each week - Monday PM and Thursday AM.

PE may be taken either indoors or outdoors, so please ensure your child is suitably dressed.

Other Curricular Areas

Our topic this term will be 'minibeasts' therefore we may be outdoors from time to time to explore the minibeasts in our environment therefore please ensure children have appropriate clothing at all times.

Important Information

Ready Steady Learn will continue to be sent home weekly, usually on a Friday.

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 **Thursday**. 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.

