

Primary 2/1 Learning Letter: Term Three



Dear Parent/Carer,

January 2017

Welcome to Term 3 in Primary 2/1. The highlights of last term included our Cops and Robbers IDL context for learning. Thank you to everyone who came along to our Open Afternoon during Scottish Book Week. The children very much enjoyed sharing their learning with you. Performing in the Nativity and the BFG Christmas was another highlight of Term 2, and I'm sure that you will all agree that the children did a fantastic job.

Miss Burton & Mr Glancy

P2/1 Teachers



English & Literacy



This term P1 will continue to develop their skills in Phonics. They will practise blending and segmenting sounds to read and write new words. We will create and write sentences using full stops, capital letters and finger spaces as we write.

In Primary 2 we will continue to learn weekly spelling patterns and build on our knowledge of common and tricky words. We will also continue to develop our understanding of the texts we read.

Through the context of our Castles topic, we are looking forward to exploring non-fiction texts including books, video clips and online texts, to gather relevant information about Castles. We will use the information to create labelled diagrams and Fact files. We will also write imaginative stories, lists, invitations and letters.

To further support our exploration of non-fiction texts at home, perhaps it would be possible take a trip to the local library.

Maths & Numeracy



P1 will continue to develop our knowledge and understanding of number structure beyond 10. We will extend our counting skills too, as we count forwards and backwards within 30. The children will continue to add and subtract using a range of different strategies.

The P2 children will continue to add and subtract two digit numbers and apply this to increasingly challenging problems involving exchanging and crossing the tens boundary.

We will continue to use Number Talks to develop the children's understanding of number and to encourage them to share their ideas and demonstrate their understanding.

We also plan to explore 2D and 3D shape as we learn about Castles.

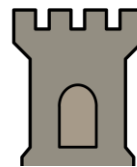


Interdisciplinary Learning: Castles

This term our context for learning is Castles. We will be learning about this through the curriculum areas of English and Literacy, Social Studies and Technologies.

The key questions we will explore are:

1. What are castles and how are they built?
2. What rooms are in a castle and where are they?
3. Who lives in a castle and what do they do?
4. How does a draw bridge work and what is a moat?
5. What are the different types of castles?



Additional Information

Mr Glancy is in class Monday – Wednesday, and Miss Burton is in Thursday – Friday. This term Mrs Kellner will be teaching Expressive Arts and RME.

We will have P.E. on Mondays and Wednesdays. Can you please ensure girls have a hair tie for their hair and spare socks if they wear tights to school.

Outing

On 9th February we will take part in a trip to Stirling Castle as part of our Castles IDL. You have received a letter with further information about this trip.



Homework

Homework will be given on a Monday to be returned on a Friday. It may include reading, spelling, maths and topic-related tasks. Please remember to bring reading books and reading records to school every day.