

Dear Parent/Carer, P2/3 January

Welcome to Term 3 in Primary 2/3. All of the children have settled well into P2/3 and we are looking forward to a busy and fun term. Last term we enjoyed the BFG topic and our performance for a school panto. The highlights of the term ahead include our trip to Modern Art 1 in Edinburgh to look at the work of Joan Eardley and the sculpture gardens. All pupils have also now joined a Junior Leadership Team and look forward to making positive changes within our school this year.

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English & Literacy

This term, through the IDL context of Scotland, the Burns Supper, Primary 2/3 will be focusing on and developing a variety of key reading skills. This includes questioning, summarising, making connections and sequencing.

Our writing will focus on various genres that will allow us to apply what we have learned through the context of our IDL. This term, we will explore biography, fact files, and programme of events, alliteration and rhyme through Burns.

This term, we will also be continuing to develop our knowledge of Vocabulary, Connectives (and, but, because, so, yet), Openers and Punctuation (VCOP), as well as our handwriting and spelling. The children also are using uplevelling techniques to improve the standard of their writing. They will use a first and final draft to achieve this.



Maths & Numeracy

This term, our numeracy work will focus on addition and subtraction strategies counting on with 2,3, and 4 numbers using knowledge of number bonds and an empty number line. We will also continue to develop our mental agility through Number Talks, mental maths games and verbal recall. In our wider maths this term, the focus will be on measure, looking specifically at area and weight.

You can support your child's maths development at home by regular times tables revision and links to maths in real life contexts. Sumdog is also a fantastic resource to develop children's mental agility and quick recall of maths facts. Purple Mash also has a wide variety of maths games, including Table Toons which is a fun way to learn your times tables. Each child has their Purple Mash and Sumdog passwords in their homework diary.

Interdisciplinary Learning: Scotland Burns Supper

This term our context for learning is Robert Burns and his place in Scotland's cultural heritage. We will be exploring this through the curriculum areas of literacy, Social Studies and HWB. The key questions we will look at are:

- 1. Who is Robert Burns?
- 2. What is Scots language and why is it important?
- 3. What are Scottish traditions? clothing, Burns Supper, Highland dancing, Gaelic, Traditional folk music
- 4. Are there traditional Scottish foods? How are they made?

Additional Information

Please ensure your child brings clothing suitable for taking part in P.E outdoors in colder weather (i.e. jogging bottoms and trainers).

Spelling, Reading and Maths homework will be given every Monday and should be completed and handed in on Friday.

Reading homework will be given on a Tuesday and is to be completed for the following Tuesday. A homework diary will be used to record their homework tasks. Please sign when completed.

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Please let us know if you achieve any of the levels at home!

We love to celebrate wider achievements!

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