Primary 1 Learning Letter: Term Three

Dear Parent/Carer, January 2019

Welcome to Term 3 in Primary 1. We are looking forward to a busy and fun term 3! The highlights of last term included receiving our P1 Scottish Bookbug Bags and completing learning activities around the three Bookbug authors. We hope you enjoyed reading and sharing the activities at home! We also had our marvellous "Cock-a-Doodle Christmas" Nativity which the children worked very hard on and performed brilliantly to their audiences! Thank you to everyone who was able to come along to show their support during the performances.

Mrs Walker

Consultative Planning: Castles and Space

This term our first context for learning, chosen in consultation and through voting by the children is 'Castles'. We will be learning about this context through the curriculum areas of Social Studies, Technologies, Literacy and Maths. The key themes emerging from the children's questions and interests that we will explore are "parts of a castle", "who lives in a castle?" and "attacking and defending a castle".

The second context voted for by the children to explore this term is Space, which we will explore later in term 3. Again please keep an eye on our "Learning across the Curriculum" and "STEM" SWAY's when they are available to watch our learning journey unfold.

English & Literacy



This term we will continue to review our initial sounds and blends that we have covered in class. We will also be introducing diagraphs (2 letter sounds). We will continue to consolidate our letter recognition and formation skills. This term we will continue to focus on recognising beginning, middle and end sounds, blending, word building and sentence structure. We will also be looking at the formation of capital letters.

This term, some children will be bringing home reading books or completing reading in class depending on their stage in their individual reading journey. We will be looking at a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts to help develop important reading skills.

Our writing will continue to build on the children's personal experiences and imagination. We will also begin to introduce simple story writing planning.

Maths & Numeracy

This term we will continue to consolidate and reinforce our number sense of numbers from 0 to 20. We will also continue to develop our knowledge of addition to 10 and begin to introduce simple subtraction through practical activities.

We will continue to become familiar with the language of before, after, more, less and altogether. We will continue to order and identify missing numbers.

In addition, we will also be looking at 2D and 3D shape and looking at sequencing days of the week, daily routines and time linked to our learning contexts.

Additional Information

This term, Ms.Allsopp will have the P1 children on Tuesday or Wednesday afternoon's to teach science and P.E.

This term our P.E. will be on a Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning.

Homework

Homework will be given on a Monday to be returned for Friday. We appreciate your support in returning reading books in a timely manner.

PGDE Teaching Student

This term we will also have a visiting PGDE teaching student, Ms. Quigley, in P1 for 6 weeks. She will be working with the children in class and will be supported by staff to take increasing responsibility for planning and teaching lessons in her time with the class.

Important dates

- 24th of January NSPCC visit
- **25**th **of January** Burn's Poetry Competition & Dress Down Tartan Day
- **5th of February** Safer Internet Day
- 12th of February Group Photos
- 14th of February PSA Movie Night
- 18th of February Holiday
- 19th of February In-Service Day
- **25**th **of February** Fairtrade Fortnight
- 7th of March World Book Day
- **27**th of March Parents Consultations
- **28**th of March Parents Consultations