PRIMARY 2/1 LEARNING LETTER TERM 3

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to Term 3 in Primary 2/1. I hope you all enjoyed the Easter holidays and had the opportunity to spend time together with family and friends. It has been lovely to see the children have all settled back into school eager to learn. I am finding it hard to believe we are entering our final term already, but I am sure we will have a very exciting time of learning and teaching experiences ahead of us. Miss Horgan

Literacy:

In class this term, we will continue to focus on learning our new sounds in phonics tasks through songs, games and activities. We will practice spelling on a weekly basis supported by our new knowledge of sounds. In all our writing tasks we will consider the correct use of capital letters, finger spaces, full stops as well as ensuring we practice correct letter formation, and letter size. We will share our ideas and opinions with partners, small groups and with a larger audience to develop our skills in listening and talking.

Numeracy and Maths:

Number-We will continue to use SEAL (Stages of Early Arithmetical Learning) strategies to develop number sense, place value, addition and subtraction. Our P2 learners will also begin using early multiplication and division skills, building upon our number skills from P1. In our **beyond number** work, we will focus on measurement and chance/uncertainty.

Interdisciplinary Learning (IDL): Through consultation with the children and following current play interests in the classroom, our final context of learning in P2/1 will be on the topic of various jobs around the world. We will be learning about the workforce through the curriculum areas of Social Studies, Science, Technology, Expressive arts and Literacy. We plan to explore questions such as-

- 1. What are the different types of jobs that people have?
- 2. What are the different skills needed for these jobs?
- 3. What jobs interest us?

Health and Wellbeing: Alongside the "Emotion Works" programme we are using many strategies within the classroom to make sure that everyone feels as safe as possible. The children's emotional wellbeing will be one of my main focuses throughout the year.

PE: We will have PE on a Monday and Thursday this term. Please ensure that the children pack appropriate clothing. (Sunscreen, overalls, wellies and waterproof coat.) We cannot plan for the weather, so please ensure your child is ready for these outdoor experiences in all inclement weather possibilities.

Other Information:

Homework: Two reading books will be sent home on a weekly basis, based on your child's reading level ability *Every Tuesday. All other homework will be assigned on Seesaw such as spelling words and math tasks.

Our afternoon sessions are long due to our school day; therefore, we offer our pupils the chance to have an additional afternoon snack – if this is something you would like to provide your child, then please include in their school bag, alongside an additional water bottle (water fountains are currently closed for Covid mitigations.)