

Primary 2 Newsletter

October-December 2019

Welcome back to Term 2. We hope you had an enjoyable October break. We're really looking forward to a new term, with lots of exciting learning to come.



Numeracy & Maths

In Numeracy we will be continuing to work on addition and subtraction to develop quick recall and mental maths skills. We will also be focusing on money, and children will be working up to the value of £20. Children should be encouraged to practise these skills at home as much as possible to help further their understanding. In Maths, we will be working on measure (length, weight, capacity and area), these lessons will be taught by Miss Hendrie. We will then further explore this and apply our knowledge through our Weather topic.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Our topic this term is going to be **Weather**. Similar to last term, most areas of the curriculum will be explored through our topic and children will be given opportunities to apply their learning by investigating problems, working independently and with others. The children will continue to be encouraged to take the lead and think of ideas and questions they would like to find out. We will be exploring local, nation and international weather. Please try and discuss these topics when relevant with your child. Children will also be learning to say different types of weather in French. Again we would love to welcome any visitors who could come in and help us with our topic.

Literacy & English

Writing

For our writing this term we will be continuing to focus on key aspects of VCOP – Vocabulary, Connectives, Openers and Punctuation. Our writing will be related to our topic with a focus on reports and factual writing.

Reading

Miss Morland's class will continue to have reading groups on Monday and Wednesday. Miss Craig's class will have reading groups on a Tuesday and Thursday. Please hear your child reading and discuss the book, also encouraging them to think of their own questions to ask you! As well as developing reading fluency we will be focusing on developing children's understanding of characters, setting and plot.

Reading books and records should be brought to school every day.

Spelling will continue with the Home Learning on a fortnightly basis. We will also be introducing tricky word lists later this term.

Health & Wellbeing

In P.E. we will be learning some ball games and ball skills, working inside and outside. Children should come to school wearing PE kit on PE days (Wednesday and Thursday). This can be black joggers/leggings and appropriate school polo shirts (no football colours) and suitable shoes.

Additionally, children will be participating in outdoor learning sessions, so we ask that all children are wearing appropriate clothing such as a warm, water-proof jacket and suitable shoes.

Additional Information

Reading – Tuesday and Thursday for Miss Craig's class. Monday and Wednesday for Miss Morland's class.

PE- will be on Wednesday and Thursday (for both classes).

Gym Shoes – Please ensure your child has a pair of indoor gym shoes in school (not to be worn outside)

Home Learning - New home learning will be issued on a Thursday and children will be given a fortnight to complete it. Please return it on Wednesday. **Please bring reading books to school every day.**

If you have any comments, concerns or questions please feel free to contact us through our school blog, school office, email or your child's reading record and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Thanks,
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