

Primary 3 Newsletter

October - December 2019

Hello Primary 3. Second newsletter of the year already! Time is flying in. Thank you to parents and carers for all your wonderful support so far this year. We enjoyed seeing so many of you at our first Parents Evening and at our assemblies.



Numeracy & Maths

In Numeracy, P3 will be continuing with 'Number Talk' time at the start of every lesson to encourage discussion and use of mathematical language. In Numeracy, children will be focussing on addition and subtraction strategies and reinforcing the work we did in Term 1 on place value of numbers. Children will have access to a variety of practical resources to help develop their understanding of number. In Maths, the children will focus on developing their understanding of money. The children will include all aspects of Numeracy and Maths in problem solving, including verbally explaining strategies they have used to each other. P3 will investigate measuring length, weight and volume using equipment such as scales, rulers and measuring jugs.

Interdisciplinary Learning

This term we will be finishing our topic about the human body by learning about our senses and their reliability and limitations. We will then move on to investigate different climate zones around the world with a particular focus on weather and the environment. Children will be developing ICT skills and using the internet to find information which can then be displayed using ICT PowerPoints.

In RME we will be investigating aspects of Christianity including how and where Christians worship and celebrate special occasions.

French will be incorporated into classroom routines alongside specific lessons...TRES BON!

Literacy & English

Primary 3 will continue to follow the Active Literacy programme which has a strong spelling focus. Children will take part in a variety of activities to improve their understanding of sounds to help them with this.

In writing there will be a focus on recounts and narratives and children will be exploring the structure of these texts. Reading homework will continue twice per week, normally on a Tuesday and Friday. Children will work with the teacher to discuss the book on these days but reading books and records need to be in school every day. Please continue to support your child's reading by listening to them reading at home as much as possible and sign the reading record. Children will have the opportunity to develop their reading comprehension skills, punctuation, spelling and grammar throughout Literacy and will be encouraged to apply the skills they are learning to other areas of the curriculum.

Health & Wellbeing

The children will continue to take part in 2 hours of weekly Physical Education. The children will be working on their hand-eye co-ordination and ball skills through handball and developing co-ordination through dance which will be linked to our topic. Children will take part in both indoor and outdoor PE sessions and should come dressed in PE kit on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Through the Jigsaw programme, children will be addressing their emotional literacy and celebrating differences.

Additional Information

Reading – Tuesdays and Fridays (reading books should be brought in daily)
Clothing – Please ensure your child's name is written clearly on all items of clothing. If you have any missing items of clothing please visit the Lost Property box located in the office.
Gym Shoes – Please ensure your child has a pair of indoor gym shoes in school (not to be worn outside).
Indoor PE days – Wednesdays and Thursdays Outdoor PE day- Tuesdays
Toys – Children are reminded not to bring toys into school.

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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