

Primary 3 Newsletter

January - April 2020

Hello Primary 3! Happy New Year to you all. Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to seeing you all for the Parents' Consultation Evening on 26.3.20



Numeracy & Maths

In Numeracy, P3 will be continuing with Number Talk time at the beginning of every lesson to encourage discussion and use of mathematical language. They will be focussing on adding and subtracting using mental strategies, rounding and estimating and working with multiplication and division. Children will have access to a variety of practical resources to help to develop their understanding of these number processes. In Maths, the children will focus on developing their understanding of time using analogue and digital clocks, timers and calendars. The children will include all aspects of Numeracy and Maths in Problem Solving, including verbally explaining strategies they have used.

Interdisciplinary Learning

This term we will be continuing with our Weather topic before moving on to a Sun and Moon mini-topic which will link to our calendar work in Maths. We will then move on to our Caring for the Environment topic. This will link to the P2-4 Show which the children will be performing on Wednesday 11th March. We hope you are able to come and see the performance. In RME the children will be exploring different celebrations. We will be developing our Drama skills with a literacy focus through stories and fables. Miss Hendrie will be helping us to develop our understanding of rhythm and pulse in music.

Literacy & English

P3 will begin the term with a Scots literacy focus and experience reading, writing, talking and listening in Scots. The children will continue to follow the school Active Literacy programme which has a strong spelling focus and children will take part in a variety of activities to improve their understanding of sounds to help them with this. Writing will have a focus on persuasive language and explanations. Reading will continue to be our Literacy focus twice per week, normally on a Tuesday and Friday. The book will be read and discussed 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 by signing the reading record. Children will have the opportunity to develop their reading comprehension skills, punctuation and grammar throughout literacy and will be encouraged to apply skills they are learning to other areas of the curriculum. French will be incorporated into classroom routines alongside specific lessons on clothing and the calendar.

Health & Wellbeing

The children will continue to take part in 2 hours of weekly physical education. The children will be working on strength and control through Gymnastics and Yoga and will also have the opportunity to work on general fitness in Athletics. Children will take part in both indoor and outdoor PE sessions and should come dressed in PE kit on a Wednesday and Thursday. Through the whole school Jigsaw programme, children will be addressing their emotional literacy and looking at dreams and goals.

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).
Gym days – Wednesday and Thursday
Staff – Children will be supported by Raising Attainment Teacher, Mrs Smyth

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,
Miss Foote, Mrs Settle and Mrs Welsh

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