

Primary 2 Newsletter

August-October 2020

Welcome back to school. We are so excited to see you all again! We're really looking forward to all the exciting things we're going to be doing this year. For the first few weeks we will be getting to know the children, to find out where they are with their learning and easing them back to school routines.

Numeracy & Maths

In Numeracy, we will be developing children's knowledge of place value, learning about units, tens and hundreds. We will also revise quick recall of related addition and subtraction facts, (e.g $6+1=7$ so $7-1=6$). Children should be encouraged to practise these skills at home as much as possible. In Maths, we will be working on shape, position and movement. We will then further explore this and apply knowledge through our Houses and Homes topic.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Our topic this term is going to be **Houses and Homes**. 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. Similar to Primary 1, the children will be encouraged to take the lead and think of ideas and questions they would like to find out..

Safety

The P2 teachers will continue to dismiss the children from Windyknowe Park at the end of the school day. Thank you for your support and co-operation in keeping the children safe.

Literacy & English

We will develop on childrens knowledge of phonics through lots of active learning similar to Primary 1, with some extra challenge. For our extended writing this term we will be focussing on Recounts. This will be done mainly from retelling stories (familiar stories featuring houses and some personal experiences)

Reading

Once reading groups have been established in the new classes we will send reading books home. Extra hygiene precautions are in place so reading books can be passed on. But please help us by making sure books are always in school bags.

Spelling will continue with the Home Learning on the blog on the fortnightly basis.

Health & Wellbeing

P.E and outdoor learning days will be Wednesday and Thursday. Children should come to school wearing PE kit on those days. This can be black joggers/leggings and appropriate school polo shirts (no football colours) and suitable shoes and jackets. For very wet days, you might want to bring wellies or a pair of shoes to change. However, children will not usually be changing footwear for indoor plimsoles (as they used to in P1) at the moment. Children can bring a water bottle to school every day and keep it in their bags.

Additional Info

Children can bring a water bottle to school every day and keep it in their bags. No juice is allowed in the classrooms. Children are asked to put snack wrappers in their own bags, can you please provide an easy to open snack or tub/ bag to put rubbish in. **All belongings must be clearly labelled with your child's name.**

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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