



Primary 2 Newsletter

Term 2 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to Term 2, we would like to wish our families celebrating Diwali a very happy Diwali and hope you have all had a lovely October week break. This term is wonderfully busy with lots of learning focusing on special celebrations. I hope the children thoroughly enjoy all the learning that has been planned. Please find below an overview of the intended learning for this term. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. With kind regards, Primary 2 Team.

Literacy and English

This term, we are looking forward to enjoying together our first class novel 'The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark'. We hope that through sharing this novel we will prompt a love and enjoyment of reading, develop listening and talking skills through class discussions. Children will continue to develop their decoding skills and knowledge of sounds through their weekly group reader. Please ensure your child brings their reading folder to school **daily**.

This term we begin with revising our Block 2 Edinburgh Literacy Rich Sounds before beginning Block 3 sounds.

Block 2 Edinburgh Literacy Rich - Consonant Vowel Diagraphs

ai	ee	igh	oa	oo	ou	oi	aw
ay	ea	y	ow	ew	ow	oy	au

Block 3 Edinburgh Literacy Rich - Initial Final Consonant Blends

rk	nd	st	mp	bl	sl	pr
lt	sk	nt	ft	cl	pl	fr
sp	lk	ft	ng	fl	tr	
nk	br	cr	dr	gl	gr	

We will continue to revise and consolidate the formation of all the letters including capital letters. We will also introduce joined cursive script of our new block 2 and block 3 sounds.

This term we will be creating our very own 'Biff and Chip' adventures and write stories related to Outdoor Learning, Festivals and the theme 'Zoom to the Moon'.

Admin

Our timetabled P.E session is on a Thursday, please come wearing appropriate P.E. kit. We will be focusing on dance this term. Throughout the week there will be opportunities for more P.E focusing on Yoga, Zumba, Fitness Workouts and 'Party Games' in preparation of our school Christmas Party! School uniform is fine for this type of activity.

Outdoor learning sessions will be on a Friday. We will be participating in outdoor learning in all weathers. Please could children wear appropriate clothing. Children are welcome to change into trainers for PE then into wellies for outdoor learning.

Numeracy and Mathematics

In numeracy, we will be continuing to focus on consolidating and extending our knowledge of addition and subtraction number facts within 50. We will be extending our learning through developing strategies to solve worded problems and calculating missing numbers within a number sentence, developing mental agility of number bonds.

This term will be learning about time. Firstly, building upon prior learning through revising reading and recording 'o'clock' on an analogue and digital clock. Through investigation we will learn that there are 60 minutes in an hour and make links with fractions to help the children read and record half past on an analogue and digital clock.

Learning Across the Curriculum

Science

This term we will be 'Zooming to the Moon' and on our way we will be learning all about:

- The Planets and Planet Earth
- The Moon, Sun and Stars
- Day and Night

Outdoor Learning

Last session the children identified that they wished to learn about the trees in our woodland. We look forward to sharing our learning with you and the child led focus for this term.

RME

This session the children will be learning all about Diwali and Christmas. The children will have the opportunity to learn about these special celebrations through stories, song, dance and play investigation.

Health and Wellbeing

With the dark mornings and afternoons upon us, we will be revisiting, reinforcing, and learning about ways to keep ourselves safe when crossing the road. We will investigate how we can be bright and be seen by wearing fluorescent and reflective items of clothing. In class, we will also revisit, reinforce and extend the children's knowledge of firework safety.

Diary Dates

WB 15 th November	Book Week
19 th November 2021	Children in Need
15 th December 2021	Christmas Party

