

Primary 2 Newsletter

Term 1 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to Primary 2! We are thrilled with how the children have settled in and are thoroughly enjoying getting to know them. We hope you find this termly newsletter below useful and that you enjoy supporting your child in their learning at home. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Literacy and English

This term, we are looking forward to enjoying together 'The Lighthouse Keeper' series of stories. We hope that through sharing these 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** and that it remains in their school bag throughout the week.

This term we begin with revising our Block 1 Edinburgh Literacy Rich Sounds (alphabet sounds) before learning Block 2 sounds as below.

Block 2 Edinburgh Literacy Rich - Consonant Vowel Diagraphs

ai	ee	igh	oa	00	ou	oi	aw	
ay	ea	y				ov	au	
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We will continue to revise and consolidate the formation of all letters including capital letters. Each week we look forward to our writing sessions to reinforce our skills in sentence construction and storytelling.

Admin

P2A - Our timetabled P.E. session is on a Wednesday.
P2B - Our timetabled P.E. session is on a Thursday.
These sessions will be led by our P.E. specialist Mr Murray, please come to school wearing appropriate P.E. kit.
Throughout the week there will be opportunities for additional P.E. focusing on Yoga, Zumba, Fitness Workouts and Playground Games. School uniform is fine for this type of activity.

Outdoor learning sessions will be held on a Tuesday. We will be participating in outdoor learning in all weathers. Please could children wear appropriate clothing such as a waterproof jacket and bring a pair of wellington boots to **change** into. Please make sure that **all** of your child's clothing and items are named clearly.

We are thrilled to inform you that this term Mrs Wheelaghan will be supporting Primary 2 on a Monday and Friday.

Numeracy and Mathematics

In Numeracy, we will be revising number sequencing, counting forwards and backwards, and addition. This term focus will also be placed on applying our knowledge of counting back to complete simple subtraction sums.

In Maths, we will firstly focus on information handling including the creation of pictograms, bar charts, and simple Venn diagrams. We will progress to naming and describing the features of simple 3D shapes such as cubes, cuboids, cones, cylinders, spheres, pentagons, hexagons and pyramids.

Learning Across the Curriculum

Interdisciplinary Learning

Learning will be based on 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch' series of stories. We are looking forward to learning all about lighthouses, the role of the lighthouse keeper and how to keep healthy. This exciting stimulus will be developed and led by the children to explore areas across the curriculum such as science, expressive arts and skills for learning, life, and work.

<u>Languages</u>

In addition to encouraging the children to share their home language within the classroom, this session the children will be introduced to some simple French phrases through stories, song, dance and play.

Health and Wellbeing

*Please support our school commitment to healthy eating by providing your child with a healthy snack. (No nuts!). Please also note that we are unable to distribute cake or sweets for celebrations.

We will focus on ...

- Getting to know each other
- New daily routines
- Hand washing and hygiene
- Being kind to each other
- Recognising our emotions and being able to manage them.

Diary Dates

14 th September	Class Photographs		
19 th September	School Closed		
11 th and 12 th October	Parents Consultations		