



# Primary 2 Newsletter

## 2025



Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to Term 3, we would like to wish all our families a very happy and healthy New Year. We very much look forward to this term as we have planned a wealth of wonderful experiences to extend and develop the children's learning. We would like to invite you to an open classroom event on **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January at 2:10 to 2:40**. This event will celebrate and showcase the children's Lunar New Year learning which we hope will provide you with an insight into school life and learning. 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, Mrs McNeill and Mrs Gillies

### Literacy and English

This term, we are looking forward to focusing on Scottish themed texts such as 'Katie Morag' and introducing Scots poetry. We will also be drawing comparisons between a variety of non-fiction and fiction texts.

Children will continue to develop their decoding skills and knowledge of sounds through their weekly group reader.

In phonics this term, we are continuing to learn new vowel digraphs and consolidating our learning of our initial and final consonant blends. We are continuing to learn and practise Block 3 and 4 tricky words, please find a list of these words attached to this newsletter.

#### Block 2 Edinburgh Literacy Rich – Vowel digraphs

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

### Numeracy and Mathematics

In numeracy, we will be continuing to focus on consolidating and extending our knowledge of numbers to 100. We will be working on place value within 50 as well as addition and subtraction number facts within 30.

In maths this term we will be learning about measurement. Firstly, building upon prior learning through measuring using non-standard units before progressing on to using standard units of measurement. We will be focusing on using appropriate vocabulary to describe and compare length, height, weight and volume.

### Learning Across the Curriculum

#### Learning for Sustainability

This term we will be learning all about our amazing planet and about sustainable practise to care for our planet e.g. Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. This will tie in with our Katie Morag topic as we explore how we can keep coastal and city landscapes clean and free from litter.

#### Topic: Katie Morag/Scotland

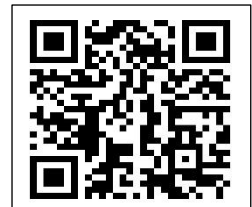
Through discussion of Katie Morag stories, poems and texts, we will learn to describe and compare our local area to a remote Scottish Island to develop a mental map and sense of place. We will also explore Scottish landmarks, culture, traditions and stories on our travels.

#### Admin

Our timetabled P.E. session with Mr Murray will now be on a Monday. Children should come to school wearing appropriate P.E. clothing. Throughout the week there will be opportunities for more P.E focusing on Yoga and Scottish Dancing. 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 wellington boots for outdoor learning rather than coming to school and wear wellingtons in class.

Our school padlet has lots of wonderful clips of the children and their learning which we hope you are enjoying. The QR code to access padlet is displayed below.



### Diary Dates

Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> January (Wk beginning)	Scots Poem Recital
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	Primary 2 Open Classroom Event
Monday 10 to Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	Half Term holiday
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Glow Disco
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Parent Consultations 4pm to 7pm
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> April to Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	Easter Break