Primary 2 Newsletter

Term 2 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

Can you believe we are already three weeks into term 2. Time is flying, which means we must be having lots of fun! But of course we are also working very hard. We have a year group of such enthusiastic, creative and hardworking children, and we are loving supporting their learning and passions. As always, if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Literacy and English

This term we will continue to work through all the final blends and then begin the vowel diagraphs such as 'ai/ay' and 'ee/ea'. We will also continue to work through the next block of **tricky words**. Children will also be working on building their sentence writing skills, focussing on writing Five Star sentences:

- ★ Starts with a capital letter
- **★** Ends with punctuation
- ★ Used finger spaces
- * Sounds match letters
- * Makes sense

Alongside creative writing, we will also write some of our own poetry inspired by seasonal topics.

In reading, children will be given opportunities to read poetry and non-fiction texts for enjoyments. We will also use our whole class stories to develop our comprehension skills, such as sequencing, summarising and predictions. We will continue to develop decoding skills and fluency through their weekly group reading books. It's lovely to see so many children reading with expression! Please ensure your child brings their reading folder to school every day.

Learning Across the Curriculum

We will be wrapping up our 'Folk and Fairytales' topic, finishing with The Gingerbread Man in November. P2 have really enjoyed reading lots of fairytale stories and creating their own stories. We hope you enjoyed reading your child's story at home too.

We will be focussing on some Science - exploring the properties of materials and investigating how water can change from one form to another. We explore the concepts of boiling, melting and freezing.

We will also have themes activities such as stories and art tasks linked to cultural events such as Diwali, Halloween and Christmas ongoing throughout the term.

Numeracy and Mathematics

In Numeracy, we will be focusing on addition, and revisiting strategies from P1 such as counting on using and introducing new strategies such as partitioning (splitting numbers into tens and ones) using our number bonds to 10 knowledge and adding to the next 10 and creating and using an empty number line.

In Maths, we will start with measure, looking at measuring length, mass and capacity. We will learn about the different units (mc / g/ ml) used for each and practice using a range of different instruments to measure with. With some water play and baking! We will then start to explore pattern - describing and creating repeating patterns involving shapes & symbols. And number patterns such as 'skip counting' and doubling.

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P2a - Wednesdays / P2b - Thursdays Please can you make sure your child comes to school wearing suitable clothing and footwear.

Outdoor Learning

Tuesday (both P2a and P2b)

We plan to do outdoor learning every week. As the weather turns chillier, please ensure your child comes to school with appropriate footwear and clothing (e.g welly boots, waterproof jacket, hat and gloves)

Coats and snacks

Finally, please can your child bring a coat in everyday and a snack for breaktime too. They need to keep warm when outside and they need their energy for all the learning and fun we have!

Diary Dates

Friday 14th November 17^{th-} 23rd November Tuesday 25th November 15th-16th December Wednesday 17th December Friday 19th December Children in need Scottish Book Week Book Bug Event Christmas Concert Christmas Party End of term