



Dear Parent/Carer,

We hope you all had an enjoyable Spring holiday and are enjoying the lighter nights and some warmer weather. Below we have outlined what Primary 3 will be learning this term.

<p style="text-align: center;">Literacy and English</p> <p>Reading: In reading groups, learners will continue to develop fluency and confidence when reading aloud. We will focus on using punctuation to read with expression and meaning. Learners will learn to find key information in texts in order to answers questions as well as ask questions. We will be continuing to learn to read and write common words. As a class, we will enjoy a novel together (P3A – Wind and the Willows, P3B – Matilda).</p> <p>Writing: Persuasive writing will be our first focus where we will learn: - to understand our writing has a purpose and audience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - to use present tense verbs and modal verbs (e.g. could, should, would), descriptive adjectives and appropriate topic vocabulary - use facts and opinions - increase our accuracy in basic punctuation (capital letters, full stops and finger spaces). <p>We will then look at the recount genre: - use past tense verbs, time adverbials (e.g. first, then, next), conjunctions (e.g. but, because, so)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - write recounts and diaries inspired by our class novels <p>Spelling We will learn about;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - suffixes – ful, -less, -ness, -ment, - silent letters (k and b) - common words - alphabetical order and dictionary work <p>**Word lists are attached for those who wish to have more practice at home. Your child will know their group colour.**</p> <p>Listening and Talking P3A are learning to share opinions, give reasons for these, and respond respectfully. In P3B children will use notes to give a presentation to the class and will be encouraged to provide relevant feedback to others.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Numeracy and Mathematics</p> <p>Number: Learners will focus on: Division: - making the connection with multiplication</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - learn how to use mathematical operations to solve word problems. <p>Money: - recognising coins and notes to £20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - making amounts using different coins - convert pounds to pence - add amounts and calculate change from £1. <p>Fractions: - Finding and identifying halves, quarters and eighths (of a shape, a collection and a number)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Using the half, half and half again strategy <p>Maths: We will learn about: 3D shapes: -properties including faces, edges and vertices</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - making nets <p>Symmetry: - identifying lines of symmetry and creating symmetrical images</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Learning Across the Curriculum</p> <p>In health and wellbeing, the children will continue to follow the RSHP programme, specifically learning about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - different types of families - how to look after and care for pets - exploring feelings <p>We will also learn how to stay safe around substances and engage with the Building Resilience programme. This term’s theme is Respect Yourself.</p> <p>Our topics this term will be Water and Energy. We will carry out experiments, explore the water cycle and learn more about energy sources such as light, sound, heat and electric.</p> <p>This term, the whole school will be celebrating Learning for Sustainability week. We will be exploring climate change, equalities, children’s rights and global citizenship.</p>	

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PE with Mr Murray is on Mondays and Fridays for **both** classes. Children must wear trainers and suitable clothing i.e. not shirts, dresses or skirts. PE will be outside and inside this term.

Outdoor Learning is on Thursdays. Please ensure your child comes to school prepared for the weather. Please can children bring a waterproof coat every day.

Home learning has ideas linked to learning in class that children may wish to try at home. There will be no assigned weekly homework. We encourage children to read every day at home and for adults to read to their children too.

For a fortnightly update about our learning, please access our new school Padlet via the link, our school website or the QR code below. <https://padlet.com/9080072/balgreen-primary-school-apjbbb5edkryt4v>



Kind wishes, from the P3 team Catherine Hinchcliffe and Jo Murray P3A, Elizabeth Harris and Jemma Jeffrey P3B