



Primary 1a Newsletter Term 4

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to Term 4! We very much look forward to this exciting final term. Please find below an overview of the intended learning. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. With kind regards, Miss Budge

Literacy and English

This term, we are looking forward to writing our very own creative stories. We will be focusing on writing a series of two and three linked sentences with each sentence having a capital letter at the beginning and a full stop at the end.

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

This term, we begin revising consonant digraphs as well as focusing on consonant blends ensuring the children are secure in blending before introducing consonant vowel digraphs.

sh		ch		wh		th	
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		

Edinburgh Rich Literacy – Consonant Vowel Digraphs

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

We will continue to revise and consolidate the formation of all the letters including capital letters.

Numeracy and Mathematics

In numeracy, we will be continuing to focus on consolidating and extending our knowledge of numbers within 100 and addition and subtraction number facts within 30.

This term we will be learning about symmetry. We will be investigating lines of symmetry and creating symmetrical pictures. We will introduce fractions focusing on the concept that one half is one part out of two. We will also be revisiting coin recognition and simple money calculations to the value of £1.

Diary Dates

Friday 22 nd May	Sports Day
Wednesday 27 th May	Animal Handling Workshop – Cool Creatures
Friday 29 th May	Reserve Sport's Day
Friday 12 th June (Weather Permitting)	Paddington Bear Picnic Adventure
Thursday 25 th June	Rose Day

Learning Across the Curriculum

Interdisciplinary Learning

This term's learning is inspired by the life of David Attenborough. Children will follow in Sir David Attenborough's footsteps through investigating and exploring life in our very own 'Secret Garden'. Learning will focus on themes of sustainability, life cycles and habitats.

We are delighted to inform you that this term we will have Laura from The Youth Music Initiative providing us with weekly music workshops. The workshops focus on fun musical activities, phonological awareness, and active engagement to develop core musical skills. The workshops include singing, movement, and instrument exploration to aid with early literacy and rhythm.

Health and Wellbeing

This term we will be following RSHP, (Relationships, Sexual Health and Parenthood) learning progression. The intended learning involves naming parts of the body, the importance of privacy and people who care for me. For further information please find the curriculum in which we will be following;

<https://rshp.scot/first-level/#tobegin>

Much of this term will focus on a smooth transition in preparing your child for Primary 2. Children will have the opportunity during this term to meet their new teacher and familiarise themselves with their new environment.

Admin

This term we are hopeful for lots of sunny days! Please apply sunscreen prior to arriving in school. Children are welcome to bring sunscreen and apply themselves to top up if required. Please ensure your child has a sun hat. There is very little shade in our playground.

Outdoor learning sessions will continue to be held on a Monday. Please could children wear appropriate clothing as we will be participating in outdoor learning in all weathers. Children are welcome to bring to school wellington boots to change into.

This term with Mr Murray, our Physical Education Specialist, we will be focusing on team games and skills in preparation for sports day. PE will continue to be on a Monday and Wednesday for P1a and on a Tuesday and Thursday for P1b.