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P1 Newsletter
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We are so proud of the way the children settled back into school after their home learning and are amazed by their resilient and positive attitude to their learning. Many thanks for all of your support to help with your children's learning during this challenging time. We can't quite believe that we are in the last term of this session. Hopefully there will be a lot of sunny days for us to take our learning outdoors!

What Learning Looks Like in P1

Literacy

Pupils will be continuing to work with the class teacher on their phonics during 4 sessions each week. During this time we will be reading stories, learning new phonics sounds and revising blending to read and write words. We will also be learning some new red/tricky words.

We will continue to have a class story each day and will be focussing on answering and questions related to our book. This term the children will also be invited to deliver a short personal talk to the class about their favourite toy.

Weekly VCOP (Vocabulary, Connectives, Openers and Punctuation) activities will be taught, specifically focussing on adjectives, verbs, capital letters and full stops. This will help pupils with their independence in writing sentences during their story writing session.

Numeracy

This term we will be revising all of the concepts taught so far, including addition, doubling and halving numbers, reading, writing and ordering numbers. We have also started learning the concept of subtraction and will be learning different strategies to help with this.

In maths we will be completing lots of practical activities to learn about positional language (eg behind, in front, in , above left, right). We will also look at symmetry and will create our own symmetrical patterns.

We will be learning about using analogue and digital clocks to read o'clock times.

Health and Wellbeing

Primary 1 have enjoyed participating in mini circuits lessons to improve their stamina. They are very good at encouraging each other. We will continue with these lessons and then begin a short athletics block.

Each Monday Mr Wood will continue to look at how to keep our body safe and healthy.

IDL

This term we will complete 3 short topics; Toys, Senses and Weather.

These topics all have a science element. They will be learning how to make a prediction, carry out a fair experiment and record their results.

As part of our toys topic we will also be looking at toys from the past. We would love it if you could speak to your child about your favourite toy from your childhood.

The children have enjoyed Miss Hackett's Art and outdoor learning lessons each week. These will continue this term.

Other

As the weather is beginning to improve please ensure that if hot weather is forecast that you apply sunscreen before school. If you wish to put in a labelled cap or sunhat please do so. Please also send a labelled filled water bottle to school. It can be refilled throughout the day if necessary.

We have a large pile of unnamed cardigans and jumpers if you wish to look through the box let me know.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to make an appointment through the school office.

Many thanks for your continuous support.

C Wightman