

Be Safe, Be Kind, Aim High

Literacy

Reading

P2/3 continue to develop reading skills through the Read Write Inc, with some P3 children now accessing Accelerated Reading (AR).

Writing

P2/3 will continue developing their creative and functional writing skills alongside a focus on handwriting and cursive script.

Listening and Talking

Children have daily opportunities to develop listening and talking skills as we work towards a more formalised presentation.

Numeracy and Maths

We are building knowledge of number by beginning to work with the Basic Maths Facts programme. This body of work aims to develop quick recall of number facts to aid arithmetic, developing skills through social games with a partner or small group. Children have been introduced to Sum-Dog and should be encouraged to access this at home where possible/appropriate (-recommended playtime is 20mins in a day).

Health and Wellbeing

P2/3 pupils continue building relationships and learning appropriate strategies to cope with their emotions and feelings. We have 'emotional check-ins' which have allowed children to share things affecting their mental wellbeing. As a class we strive to create a safe and nurtured environment for everyone.

We have also established our class 'Bubble Station', where children can speak to a trusted adult about any worries they might have. Children are also accessing our school counselling service, *Your Space*.



Primary 2/3 Term 3 January 2019

Other information:

Class teachers of P2/3

P2/3 will continue with Mr Abbott in class Monday to Thursday with Mrs Stirling taking the class on a Friday.

Wider Achievement

We are looking to celebrate pupils' wider achievement out with school. Please encourage your child to tell teachers about their achievements or send in a small note so this can be recorded and celebrated.

Daily Mile

We complete the Daily Mile every day. Please make sure your child has appropriate clothing with them for our Scottish winter/spring weather.

Thank you!

Brodie Abbott, Acting Principal Teacher

Other curricular areas

PE this term will take place on a Monday afternoon. Pupils will continue to focus on developing their movement skills and spatial awareness through a series and are currently enjoying having a go at some Scottish Country Dancing.

Our current topic is Scotland in the age of Wallace and Bruce. This will encompass elements of social and historical learning alongside art & design, and drama elements.

Our next topic work will have a religious and moral education theme.

As ever, if you have any interesting things at home related to our topics, we would be very grateful if these could be shared in school to enhance our learning.

Dates to look out for:

- Safer Internet Day - 07.02.19 – is also a shared learning day 9-9:30 and 14:30-15:00
- Book Fair for P2/3 – 07.03.19 – from 14:15-14:45
- World Book Day – 07.03.19 - is also a shared learning day 9-9:30 and 14:30-15:00

Homework reminder: P2/3 children will be issued new homework on a Monday, to be returned on the Thursday of the same week. Homework will consist of:

- a numeracy or maths task
- reading from the previous school week which should be, where possible, practised with an adult.