



Primary 4 Newsletter - Term 2

Welcome to the first Primary 4 newsletter! We hope you had a wonderful October break. Here you will find information about what is going on in Primary 4 this term.

Literacy -

Children will continue to work on spelling patterns and common words. You can support these at home using Spelling City. We will be moving onto fictional reading and teaching comprehension and grammar skills through this. Our focus for writing will be personal and imaginative. We will continue to work on listening skills and the children will prepare and present a short talk to the class. Details will follow.

Numeracy and Maths -

This term, there will be a focus on Place Value, Addition and Subtraction, Multiplication, Patterns and Relationships and Money. Please use any opportunity to allow your child to handle money. The way that we teach Numeracy and Maths now provide several strategies across different concepts to ensure Personalisation and Choice.

Learning Across the Curriculum -

This term there will be a Science focus which will include Electricity, Forces and Sound. P4A will be starting Swimming in December, further details will follow. P4B will have swimming after P4A.

Wider Achievements-

If your child has accomplished any new achievements outside school please encourage them to let us know!

Health and Wellbeing-

Our PE days are Mondays, Tuesdays (P4A) and Thursdays. This term we are focussing on decision making through Benchball and Netball.

We will be promoting positive relationships by developing 'Cool in School' strategies.

As a whole school we will be continuing to develop our understanding of Visible Learning and Meta Cognition reinforcing our learner qualities.

Ideas for Learning at Home-

Reading: After discussions at parent consultation we realised there is an interest in what books are appropriate for this age group. We will put together a suggested reading list for your reference.

Handwriting: To support our work on cursive handwriting your child will bring home a copy of the correct lower case formation.

Spelling: Access Spelling City

Number: Basic Facts book marks will be sent home which will highlight which numeracy skills your child should be working on. Additional tables practise is always very helpful. For further websites, refer to the curriculum booklet.

Vision, Values and Expectations

We recently launched our new Bonnyrigg Vision:

'Today we achieve. Tomorrow we make a difference.'

Our core values are:

Safe, Achieving, Confident and Happy

Our expectations for all in our school community are that we are:

Safe, Respectful and Ready to Learn

Mrs Thompson, Mrs McLean and Mrs Smart