



# Learning and Celebrating

## Primary 1 Term 1 Newsletter

Welcome to the first term of Primary 1! The children are quickly settling into school and becoming familiar with their routines. We are enjoying getting to know the boys and girls and it was lovely to meet so many parents already.

### Literacy

We are learning our letter sounds using the Jolly Phonics programme which follows a multi-sensory approach. Each day children will practise reading and writing their sounds.

For Writing we are focussing on personal experience. We begin by drawing a picture of ourselves in context and write about our picture to describe what it shows.

### Numeracy and Maths

We will be exploring numbers to 20. Activities will include recognising, identifying and using numbers to 20. For Numeracy we will be doing lots of games and collaborative learning.

For Maths we will begin to learn about 2D and 3D shapes. We will do lots of practical maths and hopefully get out into the playground for a shape hunt.

### Topics

This term our focus so far has been "Me, My Class and My School". This will lead onto my "My Town and People Who Help". We will look at maps and photographs as well as exploring the local area by foot. We would encourage children to bring in any items related to our theme. P1 would be really excited to hear about any parents' jobs and we will be looking for support for this soon.

### Health & Wellbeing

Our PE days for this term are Monday and Thursday. Please ensure that children have their gym kit on these days. Gym kits can be kept in school for the full term and should consist of shorts, a T-shirt and good fitting indoor shoes.

As part of our Health and Wellbeing focus at the beginning of term we have explored the qualities of friendship, caring and sharing through "The Rainbow Fish" book.

### Additional Information

For homework on Monday-Thursday children should complete the page in their workbook to revise the sound of the day. Please see the suggested homework activities for consolidation of the sounds of the week and Numeracy activities.

Children will have Music with Mrs Callaghan on a Tuesday and P.E. with Mrs Jones on a Thursday.

Thank you for your support so far this term. We are looking forward to working with your children.  
Miss Hopkirk and Mr Drysdale