



Learning and Celebrating

Primary 2/3 Term 3 Newsletter

Welcome to 2018! The children have enjoyed their Christmas holiday and have settled back in well to the routine of school. Thank you once again for the many kind gifts.

Literacy

In writing, we will be creating a variety of functional texts, including instructions, reports and leaflets. This will link into a focus on non-fiction reading. We will continue to practise both handwriting and spelling throughout the week. We look forward to taking part in the First Minister's Reading Challenge this term and will encourage reading for pleasure both in class and at home. We intend to visit Penicuik Centre Library to support this and welcome families to become involved, more details to follow.

Numeracy

This term we will continue to work on our mental arithmetic strategies using a range of activities including SEAL and Basic Maths Facts. We will also develop our knowledge of multiplication. In maths we are investigating the properties of 3D shape in more detail. We will also work on data handling and different types of graphs and we will explore using ICT to help us present and interpret our data.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Our topic is science-based this term and is called 'The Human Body and The Senses'. The children will be learning about the major organs, the composition of our body and how it works and the controlling of germs. They will be carrying out experiments which will help them to understand how our senses work too.

Health & Wellbeing

PE days are Tuesdays and Thursdays. We will continue to develop positive friendships using Cool in School Strategies. We will be using a computer program to learn more about Internet Safety. We would remind children to bring a water bottle to school daily.

Other Info

Bushcraft takes place on Monday 19th February for our P3 pupils only. We will be looking for some parents to come and help. More information will follow.

The children look forward to being involved in Scots Week starting 22nd January. The class will learn about poetry and Scottish literature; perform Scots songs and country dancing; and create art linked to Scottish culture.

P2/3 will continue to enjoy music lessons on Tuesday with our specialist teacher.

We remind children of the importance of bringing their book bags to school every day, including their reading books, records and spelling jotters, to enable daily practise.

Thank you for your continuing support. Please feel to get in touch if you have any questions.

Mr Deed and Mrs Chatham