



# Cornbank Primary School

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to be their best now and in the future

## Primary 3T Term 1 Newsletter

Welcome to P3T! We have really enjoyed spending the first few weeks really getting to know the children and hearing all about their summer holiday. The children have settled well into their new routines and are all enthusiastic about the year ahead!

### Literacy

In reading, we are developing fluency when reading aloud. We also look forward to being able to use our School Library once more. Our class novels at the moment, are based on The Mr Majeika series which the children are loving!

During Writing, we will be creating personal pieces, before moving on to looking at reports, and posters, linked to our topic.

Children will develop listening and talking skills by taking part in group discussion in class and in a short talk about themselves.

### Numeracy and Maths

This term we are beginning by revising our Basic Maths facts. We use games to help with quick recall of numeracy strategies.

We will also be developing addition and subtraction strategies and learning about place value in Numeracy.

In Maths, we will be learning about 2D and 3D shapes and their properties.

### Interdisciplinary Learning

We began the term with a focus on 'Rights Respecting Schools' as part of our 'Establishment Phase'. We discussed the rights children have and which ones we thought were most important for in school. Then we went on to make our Zoo Class Charter.

For our topic, we will be learning about 'Food and Farming', including the journeys that our food takes and what plants need to grow. We will also be doing a small video performance of the story of Tattybogle the scarecrow. This will incorporate music, dance, drama and art.

### Health and Wellbeing

Already this term, we have been focussing on the importance of having a Growth Mindset. We read the story The Dot and made our own dot masterpieces. We will also be focussing on our emotions and will be using The Zones of Regulation for this.

Circle Times happen often, where children can express their feelings. This is a great opportunity for any class discussions.

We also encourage our children to drink water at school, so a named water bottle is useful. An extra bottle can be included in their packed lunch.

### Routines

Just a reminder of school day timings, as they vary across the school.

8:50 → Start of Day

10:20-10:35 → Break

12:25 -1:10 → Lunch

1.10-3:15 → End of Day  
(12:25 on Fridays)

Mrs Turnbull is in class on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and a Thursday morning.

Mr Drysdale is in class on a Thursday afternoon and Friday.

We are really looking forward to working with your children this year. As always, if you have any queries or concerns, please get in touch. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Susie Turnbull and Andrew Drysdale