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Primary 3TM Term 1 Newsletter

Welcome to P3TM! We have really enjoyed our first few weeks back at school getting to know all the children. The children have settled well into their new routines and are all enthusiastic and looking forward to the year ahead!

Literacy

In reading, we are focusing on developing our fluency when reading aloud. We are looking forward to being able to use our school library in order to practise our reading skills. Our class novel which we are reading at the moment is the Enchanted Wood, which is part of Enid Blyton's Faraway Tree collection. We are really enjoying reading this so far! In our writing we will start off by focusing on personal pieces through writing diaries and personal letters.

We will develop our listening and talking skills by regularly taking part in group discussions in class and by producing a short talk about ourselves.

Numeracy and Maths

This term we are starting off with revising our Basic Maths facts. We use games to help with quick recall of numeracy strategies. We will be learning about place value and start an introduction into learning about our times tables.

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

Interdisciplinary Learning

We have spent the first few weeks back focusing on 'Rights Respecting Schools' where we established classroom routines, discussed the rights children have and which ones we thought were most important in our classroom. We then went on to create our very own sweetie themed class charter which is displayed in our classroom. We are now about to begin our topic of 'Food and Farming' where we will be learning about the journey that our food takes and what plants need to grow. Alongside this we will be reading the story of Tattybogle and the scarecrow where we will then create a small video performance of the story incorporating music, dance, drama and art.

Health and Wellbeing

Already this term, we have been focussing on our emotions and use our emotional check in station daily as a way to express our feelings. All the children will also be working to develop a growth mindset to allow them to tackle their learning in a positive manner. Circle Times happen often, where the children can express their feelings. This is a great opportunity for any class discussions.

Our PE days for this term are Tuesdays with Miss Thomson and Thursdays with Mrs Murphy. Please ensure that on Thursdays children come in their PE kit to school. There is no need for PE kit on a Tuesday.

Routines

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

8:45 → Start of Day
10:20-10:35 → Break
12:25 -1:10 → Lunch
1.10-3:10 → End of Day
(12:20 on Fridays)

Miss Thomson is in class on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday morning and Friday.

Mrs Murphy is in class on a Wednesday afternoon and all day on Thursday.

We are both 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.

Katy Thomson and Vicki Murphy