



Cornbank Primary School

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to be their best now and in the future

Primary 1 Term 1 Newsletter

Here we are back after the holidays! We cannot believe how quickly time has flown. We have learned so much already and have a busy term ahead of us. It was good to discuss children's progress during our parental consultation and lovely being able to have you in the building. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or concerns.

Literacy

We are continuing to learn our sounds, which are helping us as we begin to blend and build new words. We are excited to take reading books home and have been getting to know the Oxford Reading Tree characters well.

For Writing, we are focusing on imaginative stories. Children will continue to draw a picture in context and write about their picture to describe what it shows. Children will be developing their writing this term with opportunities for under writing and independent sentence building. As we progress further into the term we will be looking at letter writing.

Numeracy and Maths

We will continue to work with numbers up to 30. There will be a focus on ordering and sequencing numbers, doubles, sharing and creating equal groups as well as addition and subtraction. There will be opportunities to apply number skills in active learning.

In Maths, we will be looking at different types of measurement. We will explore weight, height, length and volume through a variety of practical activities. We will also look at pattern and symmetry further on in this term.

Interdisciplinary Learning

This term our first topic will be based around the classic book '*The Gruffalo*'. We will explore the characters, plot and setting in detail and link the story to our learning in Literacy, Maths, Art and Drama. There will also be plenty of opportunities for the children to explore this story through play.

Later this term our topic will be based around the storybooks '*The Stickman*' and '*The Jolly Christmas Postman*'. The Children will enjoy taking part in a variety of Art, Science, Dance and play activities all linked to these books. In addition, we will be preparing a Nativity performance to celebrate Christmas and we look forward to inviting you in to watch. More information on this to come!

Health & Wellbeing

Our P.E. day this term will continue to be a Thursday. Please continue to send your child in PE kit on this day.

This term we will begin the early level Relationships 'RSHP' programme. This is a personal and social development programme to help children learn the skills of getting on with others, looking after themselves, their bodies, emotions and coping positively with everyday situations.

Other Information

Please continue to label all clothing and personal property. We would appreciate if toys stay at home.

Please continue to bring book bags in every day, as we will be sending reading books home on a weekly basis. Also, check reading records for communication on home reading tasks and any new keywords/sounds. Please feel free to leave any comments or questions in this reading record and we will endeavour to get back to you as soon as we can.

Thank you for your continuing support. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to get in touch with us personally.

Miss Denholm, Mrs Macgregor and Mrs Davies