



# Primary 3 Curriculum Newsletter

## Term 3



### Literacy and English

This term we will be continuing to focus on reading with fluency and expression. We will be continually developing our ability to ask and answer questions with a particular focus on inferential and evaluative questions.

All children will continue to develop their phonics knowledge to help read and spell unknown vocabulary across the curriculum.

Our Talk for Writing focus will be characterisation where we will use the story Jack and the Beanstalk to inspire us. We will be learning how to use adjectives, adverbs, similes and alliteration to help improve our character descriptions.

#### **How can I help at home?**

Read any books at home out loud with a focus on sounding out new vocabulary and reading with expression.

Read common words daily.



### Numeracy and Mathematics

This term we are focusing on multiplication and division. We will be learning how to use arrays as a tool to aid our knowledge of multiplying single digits. During division we will be using our knowledge of equal sharing and grouping to help complete a variety of calculations.

Later in the term we will then develop our division knowledge when looking at finding fractions of amounts.

Throughout this term we will also be learning how to identify 2D shapes and 3D objects. We will also be learning the correct vocabulary to help describe these too.

#### **How can I help at home?**

Provide opportunities for your child to practice the 2-, 3-, 4-, 5- and 10-times tables to help develop quick recall.



### Health and Wellbeing

This term in P.E we will be focusing on our ball handling skills. We will be learning how to work as an effective team during basketball games, as well as, developing our bouncing and passing skills.

This focus will continue in the classroom as we will be learning about having a healthy, balanced diet. We will be identifying healthy and unhealthy foods and will have the opportunity to make our own healthy snacks.

**Our PE days are a Monday and Thursday.**

Children can come to school in their red polo shirt and shorts/leggings.



## This Is Our Faith

This term we will be preparing for our Sacrament of Reconciliation. We will be learning about our Baptism and reflecting on Jesus' Baptism. We will be exploring the themes of reconciliation and forgiveness through the Bible stories of the Lost Sheep (Luke 15:1-7) and the story of Zacchaeus (Luke 19:1-10).

Towards the end of term, we will also be learning about Lent and how we prepare during this time.



## Social Studies

Throughout this term we will be learning about the Ancient Egyptians. We will be comparing aspects of their daily lives with our own to see if we can make any connections. During this topic we will also be learning about a significant individual/artifact from the past and presenting our chosen topic to our peers as a solo presentation.



## Science

This term we will be learning about Space. We will be able to name the planets in the correct order from the sun. We will also develop our research skills during this as we will be working in groups, using the internet safely, to find out important information about our given planet.

We will also be learning how to describe the movements of the Sun, Moon and Earth. We will explain the relationships between these and understand the basic concepts of day and night.



If you have anything you would like to discuss, then please do not hesitate to contact the school to arrange a meeting.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership.

Mrs Frame

