



# Term 2 News Letter

## Dates for your Diary!

- Friday 25th November – Curriculum Café
- Friday 2nd December – Christmas Fayre
- Tuesday 13th December – Pantomime
- Friday 23rd December – Last day of term/Christmas Nativity
- Monday 9th January – Return to school

## Things to Remember

- Our P.E. days are a Wednesday and Thursday.
- A pair of indoor shoes **must** be worn when in the classroom.
- If possible, please could you label your child's belongings.
- P3/2 have Mrs. Stephens on a Wednesday all day and Thursday morning.

## Literacy

The children will continue to work on their phonics and sight words. The children will also focus on segmenting and blending, which they will use during reading and writing.

We will also be continuing to focus on a variety of reciprocal reading strategies such as summarising, prediction, questioning, and clarifying. All children will be involved in a variety of reading activities, focusing on developing their fluency, accuracy and comprehension skills.

This term we will also focus on grammar and punctuation, such as nouns, adjectives, verbs and speech marks. In Writing this term we will be focusing on persuasive writing we will be learning how to write an exposition. Mrs. Stephens will be in class to support us with our writing.

## Maths and Numeracy

This term we will be working on different addition and subtraction strategies, including both written and mental strategies. We will also begin to practice times tables daily.

In beyond number this term, we will be learning all about shape. We will consolidate our knowledge of 2D and 3D shapes and their properties.

## Health and Wellbeing

This term we will continue to explore our feelings linking this with our daily check in. We have looked at a variety of different feelings, and discussed why we may feel this way and looked at strategies to help us.

We will also continue to focus on the Wellbeing Indicators, and what these mean to us.



## IDL

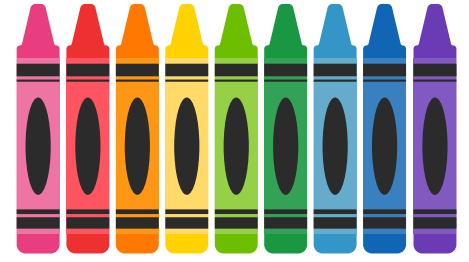
This term, 'The Rainforest' is our IDL topic. We will focus on the plants and animals found in each layer of the rainforest, as well as the climate and weather. We will also learn about deforestation and its impacts.

This term, we will also be looking at different religious beliefs and values, which will lead us into discussions around Christmas and the way Christmas is celebrated within different religions.

## Expressive Arts

This term we will focus on all areas of expressive arts. We will link art lessons into our class topic 'Rainforest' and Christmas. We will also be focusing on music, using different instruments, as well as practicing for our upcoming Christmas Nativity.

Throughout drama children will be focusing on expressing their ideas, thoughts and feelings. As well as this, we will link drama lessons through our IDL, and practicing for the nativity.



## P.E.

In P.E this term we will be focusing on Dance. We will explore rhythm, movement and space and expression through dance. As well as practicing traditional Scottish dance.

## French

In French, Mrs. Stephens will be focusing on vocabulary relating to parts of the body, clothes and Christmas.



## Responsible Citizens

Within P3/2, we are continuing to encourage the children to take care of their classroom and promote responsibility and independence with classroom jobs. These jobs rotate weekly, and include roles such as jotter monitor, line leader, librarian, messenger and milk monitor.

## Homework

Homework diaries are collected in every Thursday, please can you ensure homework diaries and reading books are in their bag. Some children may have common word walls and a jotter, please can you return these every Thursday too. New spelling words and reading books are issued every week.



## Class Rewards

Within P3/2, there are many positive behaviour strategies incorporated into our classroom, such as recognition board, Proud Cloud, WOW Work, group of the week and class pom-poms. This allows the whole class to celebrate in one another's achievements.