Dunard Primary School

Primary 2a Newsletter

Term Three

January - March 2018





Learning and teaching is designed around the eight curricular areas of the *Curriculum for Excellence*. This term, our foci include...



Literacy and English

As part of the *Jolly Grammar* programme we will continue to issue spelling words every Monday which are worked on throughout the week and tested on Friday.

Children will be issued with reading books to be read at home every night. These will be changed regularly. Pupils will also participate in whole class reading lessons, focusing on the *Super 6* reading skills. This term pupils will participate in *Storysacks* sessions with Leaders of Learning. Parents/carers will be invited to attend.

As part of Scotland week, leading up to Burn's night, children will be asked to learn a Scottish song to perform in class to their peers.

Writing will be influenced by our *Crannogs* topic, producing functional pieces such as diary entries, posters, and instructions. We will also be using what we learn about Crannogs to develop characterization and setting in our imaginative writing.

Numeracy and mathematics

This term P2 will be working on multiplication and division, using repeated addition and subtraction.

We will also be learning to tell the time and use calendars, as well as learning to identify coins as part of our financial education.

Expressive arts

Art and drama will be focused on clay modelling and role play using our *Crannogs* topic as a stimulus.

In the weeks leading up to our Scottish poetry competition, we will be learning to dance the Virginia Reel.

Health and wellbeing

This term the children will be developing the skills required to play games fairly.

Please remember to provide a PE kit which can be left in class. PE days this term are Monday and Tuesday.

Please note: As per Glasgow City Council policy, football strips, from **any** team, must not be worn at school. The wearing of jewellery should also be avoided on PE days.

Children will also be learning to stay safe around medicines.

Religious and moral education

Assemblies held by our HT/DHTs throughout the year address many aspects of cultural and religious significance.

Social subjects

This term, pupils will be learning about *People, Past events and Societies* through studying *Crannogs* and *Iron Age Man*.

Pupils will look at how communities lived 2,500 years ago in Scotland, and compare this to their own experiences of life in Scotland today.

Technologies

Children will be designing and creating a variety of objects using different materials. These will include clay jewellery and weaving, and designing and making their own crannogs.

All children now have a username and password for *Sumdog.com* and can use this to log on and play educational maths games, appropriate to their stage. Please encourage children to use this as often as possible. New usernames and passwords can be provided if lost.

Dates for your diary:



w/b 22nd Jan Financial Education Week
25th Jan Scottish Poetry Competition
12th/13th Feb Midterm break
14th Feb In-service Day

1st Mar World Book Day
15th/20th Mar Parents' Evening
29th Mar Close at 14:30 (spring break)
16th Apr Start of Term 4