### **Dunard Primary School**

# **Primary 3 Newsletter**

Term Two

October - December

## The nights are fair drawing in....



Wrap up warm, and stay safe when you're out and about!





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, the class will continue to develop their spelling skills each week.

Our class novel this term is Flat Stanley. Pupils will engage in Super Six reading lessons – connecting, monitoring, questioning, summarizing, predicting and visualising to develop their comprehension of the novel.

Writing will be influenced by our novel study on Flat Stanley. Our focus this term will be on setting. Our focus for non-fiction writing will be instructional writing. Pupils will be learning how to write a recipe.

#### **Numeracy and mathematics**

In term 2, pupils will be learning about time, focusing on quarter past and quarter to. They will learn how to tell the time using both digital and analog clocks.

In number work, pupils will be learning about the relationship between addition and subtraction and how to write number sentences for given figures. From this, we will be moving on to recalling addition and subtraction number bonds, focusing on speed and accuracy. This will allow pupils to move on to working out new number facts.

#### **Expressive arts**

This term we will be linking our art to our novel study on Flat Stanley. For this, we will be learning how to make sculptures using paper.

In Drama, our focus will be on character's feelings and pupils will engage in various role playing activities based on our class novel.

#### Health and wellbeing

In PE this term, we will be improving our gymnastics skills through jumping, travelling and rotating and balancing.

We will also be focusing on digital safety and how to stay safe while using the Internet and other online devices, as well as learn about bullying and how to be a good friend.

Reminder: PE days are **Monday** and **Wednesday**. Please remember to pack gym kits and water bottles. 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.

#### Religious and moral education

This term, Primary 3 are learning about Hinduism and Diwali the festival of lights. Towards the end of term, pupils will move onto learning about Christmas.

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

#### **Technologies**

In food technology, Primary 3 have been learning to use kitchen equipment in order to follow a simple recipe. They have also been learning how to stay safe while working in the kitchen. This has linked to our instructional writing, focusing on recipes. In ICT pupils are learning about coding and have been following a simple program to teach them about this.

#### Homework

Homework will be issued on Monday and should be handed into class for Friday. Pupils will be given spelling words to practise, as well as a reading book and a maths task. Please ensure your child brings their homework pack and reading book to school every day.

Dates for your diary:

30<sup>th</sup> November: Winter Fair

11<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> December: Nativity performances

19th December: Christmas parties

20<sup>th</sup> Dec: School closes at 14:30 Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Dec – Fri 4th Jan: Holiday

7<sup>th</sup> Jan: Start of Term 3