



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



Literacy and English

Reading – We will be using picture books to explore the 'Super Six' key reading strategies; making connections, predicting, questioning monitoring, visualizing and summarizing. *Can you please support your child at home by pausing half way through the story and ask them questions or ask them to think of questions relating to what they have read, to show understanding.*

Writing – We will be learning how to write instructions, thinking carefully about order and ordinal words like first, next, then.

Talking and Listening – Children will prepare and present a 1 minute talk about themselves. We will share news with our friends weekly, encouraging each other to listen and ask questions.

Numeracy and mathematics

Number – we will be exploring the + and – links in sums up to 10 and transferring that to number up to 50 e.g. $3+7 = 10$; $13 + 7 = 20$; $23+7=30$. We will also be continuing with some place value work.

Beyond Number – positional language including on grids e.g. left of / right of; giving and following directions and continuing with time – month of the year

Expressive arts

In Art P3/2 will be using mixed media to design and create art pieces related to our topic.

Focus: Printing linked to topic and RME

YMI Tutor continues with us this term.

Health and wellbeing

This term, the PE focus will be gymnastics.

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

Religious and moral education

This term we will not only be having a fresh look at Christmas but also thinking about the morals within emotional health – how to help and ensure we all have good emotional health.

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

Technologies

Children will have opportunities to use Sumdog.

On iPads children will be accessing a note App

Homework

ORT Reading,
Spelling Patterns – active spelling activities and weekly assessment
Maths - fortnightly



Dates for your diary:

2nd November: Tall Ship visit

9th November – P3/2 Pirate Assembly

20th December: Christmas parties AM

20th Dec: School closes at 14:30

Fri 21st Dec – Fri 4th Jan: Holiday

7th Jan: Start of Term 3