



Newsletter

Term 1

Welcome to our class newsletter.

Have a read through all of the exciting things we have planned for the coming term!

Literacy & English

This term we will be focussing on the genre of 'description'. We will be learning about the structure of a descriptive text and how to write our own interesting descriptions.

In reading, alongside descriptive texts, we will continue to develop our knowledge and understanding of reciprocal reading strategies to help strengthen our understanding. The strategies we will focus on are: prediction, clarifying, questioning and summarising.

Numeracy & Maths

In numeracy this term we will be building upon our prior learning of addition and subtraction and will further develop strategies through Number Talks and Rich Tasks.

In maths, we will be exploring patterns involving shapes, patterns, symbols and numbers. We will also be learning about 2D and 3D shapes and objects and will learn about their composition and properties.

Interdisciplinary Learning

We begin term 1 by taking part in the annual Levenseat Awards. We will explore power sources and develop our understanding of natural and fossil fuels. Using this learning, we will be tasked with designing a vehicle that is powered in an environmentally-friendly way and will construct 3D models of our vehicles.

Some learners in P3/2 will participate in a project presentation to the Levenseat judges in October.

Health & Wellbeing

We have already looked at Children's Rights and the UNCRC. Lots of discussion has taken place, ideas have been shared and a Class Charter created.

The importance of positive relationships will continue to be explored and learners will be asked to identify their trusted adults within school.

In PE we will be developing a range of multi-sport skills, including the game of Benchball.

Numeracy Vocabulary

addition	subtraction	adding	pattern
faces	edges	corners	
vertices	circle	square	rectangle
			triangle
pentagon	hexagon	octagon	sphere
			cube
cuboid	cone	square-based pyramid	triangular prism

Class Information

- Our class PE days are: **Monday** and **Thursday**. Appropriate clothing and footwear is necessary to safely participate in PE activities. Crocs are not considered appropriate footwear for sports. Jewellery should also not be worn on these days.
- A change of indoor footwear is required. These can stay in your child's locker. We have a carpeted classroom and now that the weather is becoming cooler and wetter, lots of mud and cut grass is trailing into our classroom making it very messy.
- Mrs Sibbald will teach P3/2 on a **Monday** (full day) and **Tuesday** afternoon. Mr Slamin will teach P3/2 **Tuesday** morning and **Wednesday-Friday**.

Stoneyburn Stars Padlet

Please use the Stoneyburn Stars Padlet to share any achievements your child has at home. This can be anything that they feel proud of.

The padlet can be accessed by using the QR code.



Dates For Your Diary

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| • All break | Thursday 12 th September |
| • All return | Wednesday 18 th September |
| • Dress Down Day | Friday 27 th September |
| • European Language Day | Friday 27 th September |
| • Parental Consultations | Thursday 10 th October |
| • All break | Friday 11 th October |
| • In-Service Day | Monday 21 st October |
| • Pupils Resume | Tuesday 22 nd October |
| • Dress Down Day | Friday 25 th October |
| • Dress Down Day | Friday 29 th November |
| • Parental Engagement Day | Friday 6 th December |
| • All break | Friday 20 th December |

Please look out for our family engagement calendar coming to you soon.

If you have any comments, concerns or questions, please feel free to contact us through the school office or school email and we will get back to you as soon as possible.



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