

May Newsletter Year 3

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the Summer term. While we hope to be enjoying the good weather we ask you to continue with reading and homework every night. Please encourage children to wear full uniform and ensure jumpers are labelled. The school sports top is acceptable and appropriate footwear is necessary. Children are off school on Monday 31st May. P.3's school trip is on Thursday 10th June to Peatlands Park.

Curriculum Content for May

Literacy

This month our Talking and Listening activities include Colour and Light and the Farm. The children will participate in shared, guided and independent reading. Children will be given opportunities this month to write for a variety of purposes to include list writing, descriptive writing in response to different stimuli and creative writing e.g. a letter from the farm. In class we have been using dictionaries for topic work and discussing alphabetical order. Please encourage your child to use a simple dictionary for homework activities.

Numeracy

In Numeracy we will continue with addition and subtraction within 99. Our focus will be on Decomposition . Please find attached sheet explaining the correct format for decomposition. Please familiarise yourself with this method and use it when helping your child with homework activities. This is a difficult concept and requires lots of reinforcement in class and at home. We will also be looking at 2D and 3D shapes. We will identify and investigate the properties of 2D and 3D shapes. We will sort these shapes into different sets according to their properties. Encourage your child to look for 2D and 3D shapes at home and in the environment. Children will be asked to bring in examples of 3D shapes from home.

World Around Us

In World Around us we will explore Colour and Light. We will investigate the importance of colour in nature and road safety. We will list natural and man-made sources of light. We carry out an experiment to see how light passes through some materials and not others. The children will be encouraged to use the correct language in topic work e.g. transparent and opaque. We will introduce the farm. We will complete a grid to show what we already know about the farm and what we would like to know.

Personal Development and Mutual Understanding (PDMU)

This month we will be discussing good and bad secrets e.g. what makes a secret bad. We will revise playground rules and discuss keeping safe in the school field.

P.E.

Please remind your child about P.E. gear on the following days:

P3A & P3C Thursday & Friday

P3B Tuesday

This term we will be developing our athletic skills in preparation for sports days.

The Arts

We will be looking at colour mixing. We will use primary and secondary colours when creating a class collage. During music time we will be composing and performing colour songs e.g. Rainbow song.

Please continue to visit our website for all our recent news, dates and events.

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Thank you for your continued support in Primary 3.

Mrs McGuckin, Miss O'Kane and Mrs Monaghan