

# Primary 3/4 Half-Termly Newsletter



Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have been focusing on settling back into school routine for the month of September.

Please find below key information for the first half-term.

## Information regarding curriculum:

**Literacy/Writing focus:** There will be a revision of previous knowledge e.g. Nouns, verbs and adjectives, alphabetical order, using capital letters and finger spaces when writing and extending sentences.

Primary 3/4 pupils will be encouraged to proof-read their work. Primary 4 pupils will also begin to use dictionaries and thesauruses as they further develop their independence when writing.

**Numeracy focus:** We will be revising addition and subtraction processes, place value 0-100, time, and counting in 2s, 5s and 10s as we prepare for multiplication and division.

**World Around Us:** We will be studying the topic 'Plants and Trees'.

**Reading-** Reading books will be given out every Tuesday. Normally, guided reading sessions will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

**Handwriting-** We will continue with developing a cursive style of handwriting. Primary 4 will be progressing to joining their letters when writing.

## Homework

Homework books will go home on a Monday and should return on a Thursday.

Primary 4 pupils will find a digital copy and instructions of the homework each week on the school home learning section.

If you feel that the homework is taking a long time to complete each night, please write a note in the child's homework book and we can adjust accordingly.

Sumdog logins have gone home in the back of the reading records. When completing a placement test, pupils may experience difficult questions. Please do not help with these questions as it may alter the level of work that the child receives via Sumdog.



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## Seesaw:

All children have now accessed and posted work onto their Seesaw accounts. Thank you to those parents who have sent likes and comments, the children have been delighted to hear your feedback!

Weekly spelling and number fact test results will go home via Seesaw.

If you have not accessed Seesaw yet and need a copy of the registration letter, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

## Key dates:

- PE lessons will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays.
- Reading will be taken on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please ensure that reading books and records are returned for guided reading sessions.
- Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September- Staff Development Day. (School closed to pupils)
- Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October- School closed for Half-Term Break.
- Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November- School re-opens after Mid-Term Break.

## Class Novel List:

The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark, The Hodgeheg, The Magic Finger, Fantastic Mr Fox, James and The Giant Peach and The Iron Man.

As we will be reading these novels as a whole-class, I would greatly appreciate it if you could avoid these titles (and movies) at home.

## Key information:

- Children must bring a healthy snack and a drink of water to school each day. Snacks must not have any traces of nuts.
- Children should now have access to Seesaw and Sumdog.
- Primary 4's homework and online resources can be accessed at:

<https://www.kilbroneyips.org.uk/home-learning/?class=557>

For any queries or messages please contact the office via phone or email.

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Kind regards,  
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