

Primary 1 & 2 Newsletter



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Please find below key information for Term 2.

Information regarding curriculum for Primary 1:

Focus sounds throughout Term 2: ck, e, h, r, m, d and g, o, u, l, f, b.

Numeracy:

We have started the term with money.

P1: counting with 1p and 2p coins.

Further focus:

Primary 1:

- Numbers 0-10
- Number formation
- Addition within 5

We will continue with weekly shape and space lessons.

Information regarding curriculum for Primary 2:

Focus sounds: ar, er, or, ng, ai, oa, ie, ee, oo & oo, ou, ue.

Numeracy focus:

We have started the term with money.

counting and giving change using 1p, 2p, 5p, 10p and 20p coins.

Primary 2:

- Numbers 0-50
- Counting in 2s, 5s and 10s
- Addition and subtraction within 20

We will continue with weekly shape and space lessons.

Literacy:

Primary 2 are continuing to compose sentences.

Throughout Term 2 we will be encouraging descriptive and extended sentences.

W.A.U/Topic

Our current topic is water. Throughout the Term we will be looking at:

- water and its states
- how water interacts with other substances and materials
- Where does water come from?
- Water around us
- The Fairy Glen story by Declan Carville
- Incy Wincy Spider
- Why do we need water?
- Do plants need water?
- Why do plants need water?

We are hoping to be spending some time at the local park, beach and in our school garden.

Please send in some Wellies/outdoor footwear if you have not already done so.

Reading

Please read nightly with children.

It is important to repeatedly use the books sent home as it improves children's confidence and ensures that new vocabulary is stored in long term memory.

For further guidance please see:

<https://www.kilbroneyips.org.uk/home-learning-581/?class=718>

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Homework

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

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.

Additional homework tasks will be made available on the school website after the half term.

Primary 1 now have 2 sets of sounds. Sound books will go home after the mid-term break for nightly study. A link to all of the Jolly Phonics songs and actions can be found on the Home Learning Section in Primary 1.

Spellings

Primary 2 pupils have 3 weeks remaining of rhyme patterned spellings.

Following this they will receive weekly digraph based spellings.

Key information:

- Children must bring a drink of water to school each day. **Food brought to school must not have any traces of nuts or kiwi.**
- February snack money now due.

Reminder

We write in a looped precursive style. Each letter should start at the same point with a 'whoosh' and end with a flick. Capital letters remain as they are in print.

Key dates:

- PE lessons will be held on Wednesdays with Mr McCartan and on Fridays.
- We try to read on Tuesdays and Thursdays. However, this is not always possible. Please ensure that reading books and records are returned daily for guided reading sessions.
- January- Throughout the months of January and February we will be engaging with the Mind Me, Mind You programme. Where we will explore how to be a good friend, the importance of kindness and respect.
- Week beginning 03/02/25- Children's Mental Health Week.
- 6th February- Internet Safety Day
- 20th February- Parent Teacher Meetings
- 25th March- Primary 1-3 Cinema Trip

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