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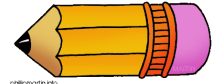
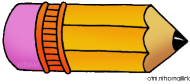


Shaping the future with learning,
kindness and care

Primary 3

SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER

Classwork



In Primary Three our work is presented in topic form to tie all areas of learning together as much as possible. This leaflet outlines what we will be covering in September / October in Numeracy and Literacy and through the theme of **Ourselves and Our Senses**.

Please Note: - *Not all aspects of each subject are included in this document and all children work at different levels of ability.*

Numeracy

Number – Counting, ordering and comparing numbers to 50. Understanding place value, tens and units/ones to 50.

Addition and subtraction facts to 20. Linking addition and subtraction and working out difference between.

Recognising and comparing numbers within 100. Using the 100 square to add and subtract ones and tens.

Counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and introducing multiplication and division.

Data Handling – Create and continue patterns. Introduce coordinates.

Shape & Space – Properties of 2D shapes—circle, square, rectangle, triangle, pentagon, hexagon, octagon. Vertical and horizontal lines of symmetry on 2D shapes.

Measure—Comparing lengths and use rulers to measure in centimetres. Using a metre stick to compare lengths.

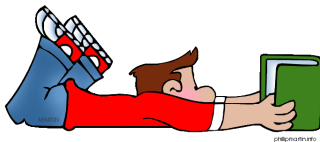


Literacy

Punctuation - Revising capital letters and full stops.

Writing questions. Using these skills in independent writing.

Writing: Children will be writing about themselves in different forms and creating a harvest poem.



Phonics: Children will revise letter sounds and names for each of the letters building to writing cvc, vcc cvcc and ccvc words.

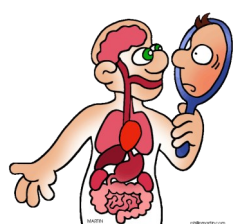
Reading - Children will read in small groups at least twice a week and complete related comprehension and phonic activities. We will be focussing on predicting events, retelling stories and picking out main events.

Children will have access to library books and class reading books and we encourage you to read with your child every night.

World Around Us

As our topic is **Ourselves and Our Senses** we will cover the following areas :

- Explore and discuss our senses (one sense per week)
- Self Portraits using a variety of materials including clay.
- Portraying ourselves and others in drama.
- Explore a range of healthy foods
- Make a personal timeline and family Tree
- Seasonal changes



Personal Development and Mutual Understanding

PDMU this term, will involve the pupils looking at themselves and becoming aware of their own strengths and weaknesses, abilities and qualities. Our focus is on feeling positive about ourselves. We will encourage children to think about relationships at home and school and where they fit in with these network of relationships.



Thinking Skills and Personal Capabilities

TSPC is a cross—curricular aspect of the primary curriculum. Through numeracy, literacy and other areas of the curriculum the pupils will become engaged in problem solving activities and discussions which will require them to take on different roles and develop confidence.



P.E.

Handling skills—beanbags, quoits and hoops. Gymnastics—travelling and balance.



Drama

Portraying ourselves and others in a variety of ways.

Music

Explore combinations of vocal, instrumental and body sounds. Create sound effects and compose new verses.

Other Information

- Please ensure all school uniform is clearly named.
- P.E will be every Tuesday for P3NB and every Friday for P3MB.
- On the day we have P.E., pupils should wear a white t-shirt/polo shirt, a school jumper or cardigan, shorts (navy or black) or tracksuit bottoms and trainers. Please remove earrings if possible for P.E. days and if they can't be removed they should be covered with a plaster.
- Homework will be given out on Monday. Reading books and library books should be returned on a Friday and written homework can be returned Friday or Monday.
- School telephone number: 91814325

You are welcome to contact Mrs McCormick, Mrs Noble or Mrs Brittain through the school office, should you have any issues or concerns.
We hope that your child enjoys their year in P3 and thank you in advance for your support.

IMPORTANT DATES (Sept/Oct)

Tuesday 23rd September -2pm finish for the Newtownards Harvest Fair.

Monday 6th October - School Closed for a Staff Development Day

Monday 20th October - 1:10pm finish for Parent/Teacher interviews

Tuesday 21st October - 1:10pm finish for Parent/Teacher interviews

Wednesday 22nd October - 1:10pm finish for Parent/Teacher interviews

Thursday 23rd October - 1:10pm finish for Parent/Teacher interviews

Friday 24th October - 12:10pm finish. Last day of school before holidays

Monday 3rd November - Pupils return to school.