



Carrick Knowe Primary School

Primary 3 Newsletter

Term 2: October - December



We cannot believe that we are in November already...! Ever since August, the children have done so well coping with all the changes that we've thrown at them and it's great to see them working so hard and just enjoying being back at school. The 'new normal' has just become 'the normal'.

As we head towards Christmas, there's plenty for us to be getting on with and this term we'll be reintroducing curriculum areas such as Social Studies and Technologies. The information below gives a brief overview of what your child will be learning in each of these curricular areas.

Please ensure that you keep an eye on our class blogs on the website as well as your child's Learning Journals throughout the term for more detailed updates of what is going on in the classroom!

<p>Literacy and Language:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cursive handwriting - Functional Writing (Letter writing, posters and leaflets) - Spelling patterns and common words - Start to take notes. - Organise ideas using appropriate headings. - Start to include own opinion in writing. - Identify key features of fiction and non-fiction texts. - Understand the difference between fact and opinion. - Greetings, numbers and colour in French 	<p>Numeracy and Maths:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Addition and Subtraction - Counting and skip counting beyond 100 - Numeral sequences - Multiplication and partitioning (division) - Numbers in the world - Place Value - Directions - Grid References - Symmetry and angles - Expressions and Equations
<p>Health and Wellbeing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Class Charter and Rights of the Child - Growth Mindset - Focused Felicity and Achieving Alfie - Building resilience - Challenge your mindset and Make a difference - P.E. (Football and orienteering) - School Values - Responsibility 	<p>Sciences will be covered in term 3 and 4.</p>
<p>Expressive Arts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Making model houses and maps of Edinburgh using mixed media. (Art) - Use facial expressions and movement to express feelings and emotions. (drama) 	<p>Social Studies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Look at different types of housing in the community. - Describe how the land in our local community is used. - Identify different groups in the community. - Create a map of the local area.
<p>Technologies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Login in to a laptop and iPad independently - Login to different sites such as Sumdog independently. -How to navigate a website independently - Complete a simple search to find information. 	<p>Religious and Moral Education:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Revisit the Christmas story - Look at the origins of Christmas cards - Think about what we can do for others at Christmas time. - Look at the Festival of Hanukkah.

As always, we thank you for your continued support.

Miss Bell (P3a)

Miss Davidson (P3b)

Other Key Information:

PE: From Monday 9th November, we will be able to have P.E. indoors again with certain restrictions - for example, there should be minimal use of equipment and this must be thoroughly cleaned after each use. Children should still come to school on P.E. days with their P.E. kit on.

Guidance remains that outdoor space should be used if weather permits.

If the City of Edinburgh is placed in Tier 4, indoor P.E. will not be allowed, and we will revert to outdoor P.E. if weather permits.

At the moment, we plan to continue to have PE on a Wednesday and Thursday, however this may be subject to change due to timetabling hall times.

Homework: Homework will consist of a spelling task, online maths challenge (e.g. Education City or SumDog) and also online reading task (e.g. Oxford Owls or Education City). Homework can be completed in the yellow jotters handed out last term but should not be handed in.

If you wish to share your child's homework, then you can do this using Learning Journals.

Items from home: Please discourage your child from bringing in any toys or unnecessary items from home to limit cross contamination.