

Primary 1G Newsletter

Term 4

Dear Parents/ Carers,

I hope everyone had a lovely Spring break. It's hard to believe we are already approaching the end of Primary 1. I am extremely proud of the progress the children have made this year!

Literacy

This week, we finished learning our sounds—what a fantastic achievement! To celebrate, we'll be having a party.

We will now focus on using our reading books to answer questions, reading and writing our tricky words and we will work on improving our letter formation. We will also begin learning about non-fiction texts.

In writing, we will continue to build sentences using capital letters, finger spaces, and full stops, and we will also develop our use of connectives to join ideas together.

Numeracy

This term, we will focus on subtraction using a range of different strategies. We will also continue working on identifying the number before and after, finding missing numbers, and skip counting in 2s and 5s.

In Beyond Number, we will learn about time, money and data handling. The children will use their number skills in other maths topics, helping to reinforce their understanding.

Health and Wellbeing

Our PE days continue to be **Tuesday** and **Thursday**. Children should come to school in their PE clothes (joggers, leggings, white polo shirt, trainers and school jumper). On Tuesdays we do PE outside. No jewellery should be worn, and hair should be tied back on PE days. We will also be learning about medicine, staying healthy and keeping safe in the home and outside.

Outdoor Learning

As we move into the warmer months of the year, we will be learning outside as much as possible across all curricular areas. Please ensure that children come appropriately dressed for the weather. Children should also bring a filled water bottle to school each day.

IDL

Our IDLs this term will be *The World Around Us* and *Fashion*, which were chosen by the children. In *The World Around Us*, they will learn about the natural world and the difference between living and non-living things. They will also begin to develop their understanding of recycling and how to care for the planet. In *Fashion*, children will learn about different types of clothing and will have opportunities to design and make simple items.

We will continue to have music sessions every second week with Miss Lightbody.

Homework

We continue to use Seesaw for our homework. The homework is linked directly to what we do in class, so to support your child at home please try to complete as much homework as you can. Reading books will continue to come home. Please **return them every day** in your child's bag as we read daily in class.

How can I help my child?

- Encourage reading/sounding out words when out and about e.g., bus stops, shop names, menus.
- Read lots of stories! Use the words in the book and ask your child to write them (the sound cards issued at Parents Night will support this).
- Complete weekly Sumdog challenges to earn coins!

Final note ...

Our last Stay, Play and Read sessions will be:

Wednesday 6th May 9-9.30am
Wednesday 3rd June 9-9.30am

If you have any concerns, please reach out to me on Seesaw or through the school office.

I would like to thank you for your support throughout the year. I have loved teaching Primary 1G and have been so happy to see how much the children have achieved. They have worked incredibly hard and made fantastic progress. I know they'll continue to make you proud in P2, and I wish them all the best when they move on!

Mrs Gillespie