

Mauricewood Primary School



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Welcome to Primary 2's Newsletter for the Spring Term.

Primary 2 Term 3 Newsletter

Literacy

We have come back to class after our Christmas break with enthusiasm to learn and have started the term with a Scottish story, "The Three Heillan Coos." We will learn the story, make story maps and continue to work on building good sentences, with greater independence. We will also be learning some poems, rhymes and songs in Scots language. .

We are expanding our knowledge of phonics and have now begun more formal spelling sessions with common words which will help us in our story writing, reading and in our wider learning.

We are being encouraged to read a wider selection of books, now that our reading skills are getting stronger. We are reading every day in class, taking our reading skills into cross curricula activities. This has allowed us to see the true value of being able to read well. We visit the school library every second Friday and will be encouraged to select a book to take home to enjoy with an adult.

Health & Wellbeing

We will be joining in with Scottish Dancing during P.E. sessions at the beginning of term.

As we approach spring we will learn about what is needed for growth and development of animals, plants and humans. A link to these lessons can be found here: ("to begin" section)

<https://rshp.scot/first-level/>

Mauricewood is following the "Building Resilience programme". This term our focus will be "Keeping Connected". We are learning about the importance of having caring relationships and thinking about the special people in our lives.

Numeracy and Maths

We are revising of number bonds and doubles and have reminded ourselves of some different strategies which we can use to help us when we are calculating totals such as holding a number in our head and counting on and using doubles as a starting point for near doubles. Practicing bonds to 10/20 at home will help your child to build greater confidence in arithmetic.

Our focus in Maths will be measure.. We will be working with practical activities to make this learning fun.

We continue to use a daily calendar and learn the cycle of days, and months linked to events in our school life.

Learning in other areas of the curriculum

We will focus on 3D modelling with clay.

We will link our ICT work with science studies, recording interesting changes in the garden and using this to inform art sessions.

Tessellation in Maths, will be explored through art, developing patterns by introducing paint mixing - tones and shades of hot and cold colours.

Within Social Studies we will be looking at Scotland, we will explore the visual elements of line, shape, form and colour. We look at tartan patterns and the work of Scottish artists.

Other Information

Children should come dressed for P.E. on a Monday and Tuesday (P2A) Tuesday.

Please provide your child with a full water bottle each day.

Reading Books/keywords should be read, with an adult, each night and returned to school in their book bags every day. Please sign your child's reading record daily.