

Homework

Monthly homework will continue. We have loved seeing the shared learning you have completed at home and appreciate your support with this. Please do not hesitate to get in contact if you need any help or support with any of the homework tasks.

BOATS

Throughout the year we have sessions when you can come into class and see how P1 learn. It is an opportunity for the class to showcase what they have been learning.

The next date for this will be **Wednesday 5th February from 2.30-3.15pm**. You are invited to join us for the Ceilidh celebration with P1, P1/2 and P2 which will be followed by a Scottish treat back in the classroom.

Children are welcome to wear something tartan on this day if they wish.

Date For the Diary

Parents Consultations: Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd January

BOATS: Wednesday 5th February 2.30pm-3.15pm

Thank you again for your continued help and support.

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**Primary 1 Newsletter
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Welcome

It has been a great start to the New Year with a buzz of excitement around the school. I hope all our Mayfield families had a safe and enjoyable holiday. It has been lovely hearing all the stories from pupils about their holidays as well as such enthusiasm about returning to School for the New Year.

General Information

Please make sure your child is wrapped up warm and with a suitable jacket for the cold weather as we will be outside for break and lunch as much as possible (except on very wet days or in extreme weather conditions.)

Please ensure your child brings a snack for playtime and a named water bottle for them to drink from throughout the day.

It would be appreciated if you could put names on all belongings to help us return found property to the rightful owner.

P.E.

We will continue to have PE on a Monday and Wednesday this term. Every child should have a PE kit which should be left in school and will be sent home at the end of each term to be washed if you wish to do so. The Wednesday PE slot will be covered by Mrs Major who has joined our team this term.

Topic/IDL

We will begin the term with a mini-topic focussing on Scotland which will tie in nicely with Burns Day. Pupils will experience poetry, food, dancing, and songs linked to Burns Day and will end with a ceilidh celebration.

After the February break we will start a new topic based around 'Toys'. This will include looking at the history of toys, purpose of toys and designing a toy.

Literacy

We are continuing to follow the 'Read, Write, Inc' programme which runs throughout the school. Pupils have now been grouped across P1-3 based on their individual learning. As they become more confident and fluent with the simple sounds, we will introduce blending to read CVC words and then progressing onto sentences.

In writing we have been focussing on using adjectives to improve our sentences and have also looked at the language for sequencing events. I.e. First, next, then, finally.

Numeracy and Maths

This term we will be developing our understanding of number by working on formation, simple number sequences, ordering of number and value of numbers. We will also start to develop different strategies for addition and subtraction.

In Maths we will start by looking at money, followed by symmetry later in the term.

Home-School Communication

If you have any queries or concerns about your child please do not hesitate to get in contact. I will always be available at the beginning and end of the school day in the playground. If you would prefer to make an appointment to discuss any matters, please contact the school office.

Class Expectations and Rewarding Positive Behaviour

We are continuing to use the class behaviour chart to reinforce positive behaviours which has been very successful and popular with the pupils.