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Dear Parent and Carers,

We hope you have had a lovely October break and we can't believe we are already into Term 2 of our learning. Below we have shared an outline of the learning in your child's class, helping us to work together to achieve the best for our children.

Primary 3– Term 2

We are learning:								
<p>Health and Well Being</p> <p>We will continue to follow our building resilience programme, with a specific focus on 'Talk things over'. In addition to this we will be exploring the Wellbeing indicators of 'Included' and 'Respected'</p> <p>Within PE we will be focussing on physical competencies, cognitive skills and physical fitness. We will have a focus on sportsmanship and later in the term Dance, linking to Scottish Country Dancing.</p>	<p>Literacy</p> <p>We will continue to work on forming our letters correctly. Through our Talk for Writing Programme, we will be creating a "Losing" story and will develop our non-fiction skills through personal writing and letters.</p> <p>We will continue to develop specific Reading skills, linked to our ReadWriteInc programme and new class novel, Christmassaurus. We will explore opportunities to take turns when listening and talking and presenting ideas confidently.</p>	<p>Numeracy and Mathematics</p> <p>Within numeracy we will focus on being able:</p> <p>To learn to use a variety of addition and subtraction strategies.</p> <p>To understand place value and number structures.</p> <p>To explore number word sequences and numerals.</p> <p>To explore multiplication and division through arrays and sharing equally.</p> <p>We will also explore 3D shapes and their properties, ideas of chance and uncertainty and exploring calendars and important dates during time.</p>						
<p>Ethos and Wider Life of the School</p> <p>This term we are lucky enough to be visited by the Rookie Rockstars as a part of Anti-bullying Week. There will be more information on this to follow but it is shaping up to be a very fun week.</p> <p>P3K have also joined the Digital Decision making group while P3R have joined the Health and Wellbeing Heroes.</p>		<p>Opportunities for Wider Achievement</p> <p>We have loved hearing about your achievements outside of school. Please continue to send in any medals or certificates with learners to show to their peers. We will be running a number of Extra Curricular clubs after school and lunchtime learning opportunities throughout the year such as benchball lunch club!</p>						
<p>Learning across the Curriculum</p> <p>In Term 2, our context for learning will be "Traditions". Each week we will explore a tradition or celebration from around the world e.g. Bonfire Night. This term the learners will be introduced to "Meta Skills" which will support them to discuss their learning through play.</p>	<p>Discrete Subjects</p> <p>This term we will continue to develop our digital skills using our chromebooks through the use of our new Digital Bookmarks. The children will be able to use these to track their learning. In RME we will be learning about the celebration of Diwali.</p>							
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17th November - 11.15 - 12.00 P1-3 Book Bug / Read
Write Count Bags

22nd November Rookie Rockstars Concert - more
information to follow