



Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year. Thank you for your continuing support.

Miss Whyte

Literacy

We are very enthusiastic readers in Primary 3 and we have ERIC time nearly every day. Children are free to bring in their own books and reading materials or may choose from our area library. We'll be working on our reading prediction skills and Mrs Langdon will also be working on identifying 'the main idea' on Wednesdays.

This term we will be continuing to work on developing dictionary skills to improve spelling and vocabulary. We also have a focus on poetry. The children will be learning about different forms of poetry and will be writing some of their own. We will also be working on some personal writing.

As part of our Listening and Talking we will be looking at some examples of Scottish poetry.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Primary 3 have been learning about the 'Frozen Planet'. Ask us to tell you who lives there! We will soon be moving onto our new topic of 'Rainforest' with a focus on science and social outcomes. The children will explore the location, weather, and the adaption of plants and animals who survive in this unique and fascinating environment.

Routines

Primary 3 now have PE on a Tuesday with myself and on a Wednesday with Miss Jones from Beeslack High School. Please make sure children have a gym kit in school.

Please ensure that all items of clothing are labelled as it saves valuable class time and ensures items are returned quickly.

Numeracy

In class we will be continuing to work on strategies to help the children develop their speed and accuracy using the four processes in our Daily 4.

This term we will be working specifically on strategies that can be used for addition and subtraction. We have already been hard at work with our mental addition in class. Lots of encouragement and regular practice at home will help consolidate this work.

Mrs Langdon will be working on money and shape with the class on a Wednesday.

Later on this term we will also be looking at strategies we can use with multiplication and division.

ICT

P3 will be learning to use an app called 'Scratch Jr' on the iPads. This app introduces children to coding and can be used to create stories and games.

RME

This term we will be learning about the importance of the Qur'an and the story of Muhammad.