

Primary 2

2017-2018



Hello, I am Miss Wyllie and I am delighted to be your child's class teacher this year. I hope that your child has settled in well and that they are enjoying life in Primary 2!



High Expectations



In P2 we strive for all pupils to reach their potential. Pupils will be encouraged to try their very best in class by working independently, taking responsibility for their learning and taking pride in their work. I am always happy to explain things again to ensure that pupils are confident and secure in their learning so please encourage your child to ask for help if they are unsure of anything.

If you have any queries or wish to discuss anything with me, please feel free to get in touch. You can leave a note in

your child's home learning diary, or alternatively I am available most days afterschool for an informal chat.

I look forward to getting to know you this year.

Miss K. Wyllie



Literacy

Writing - We will be following the North Lanark Active Literacy guidelines to ensure that all pupils have a chance to write in a variety of different ways. Pupils will have the opportunity to write every day in class. In addition, on a Wednesday they will take part in a 'Big Writing' session where they will aim to produce an extended piece of work. This will allow them to explore writing in different genres.

Reading - All pupils will read books appropriate to their level on a weekly basis, covering two books per week. Pupils will complete comprehension tasks from their books within the classroom.

Spelling/Phonics - We adhere to the North Lanark Active Literacy guidelines when teaching phonics and spelling.

This involves pupils participating in phonics and spelling activities 4 days per week with additional homework set to support this learning. At the start of term we will be spending some time consolidating some of the phonemes taught last year before moving onto new phonemes.



Mathematics

Pupils will begin this term exploring addition and subtraction. We will cover all aspects of maths throughout the year. Pupils will get the opportunity to participate in daily mental maths to improve speed and accuracy through Number Talks and Big Maths CLIC sessions. During Number Talks, pupils will learn different strategies to find answers to calculations. They will then communicate their thinking by presenting and justifying solutions to their peers. Big Maths daily CLIC sessions develop pupils' numeracy skills through a progressive programme of: C - Counting, L - Learn Its, I - Its Nothing New and C - Calculations. Pupils will be given some 'Learn It's' to practise quick recall of calculations at home.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Pupils in Primary 2 will get the opportunity to work as a class and also across their stage with the P2s from Miss Glass' class. Our main topics this year will include a SHANARRI based topic, Street Sense, Toys - magnets and forces, Dinosaurs, Troon - our local area and Climates. We will also undertake a literacy focused book study of Fantastic Mr Fox. Pupils will also participate in Finance Fortnight and a study of Scots Language.



Health and Wellbeing

Pupils have two PE sessions per week, **Tuesday** and a **Thursday**. Pupils can store their PE kits in class to ensure that they have their kit available and it can be taken home each term to be washed. In class and as part of the Assembly programme children explore different aspects

of social and emotional health through Creating Confident Kids. There is also a constant focus on team work and positive relationships in class.

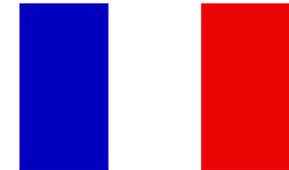


Homework

Struthers Homework Policy outlines that homework given out on a Monday is due back Wednesday, Tuesday is due back Thursday, Wednesday is due back Friday and if some is given out on a Thursday it is due back the following Thursday. I will issue a homework overview on a Monday, this will normally include a maths task, a spelling task and two reading books per week. On occasion there will be a project for our topics but plenty of notice will be given for this.

The return dates for the homework will be staggered however, if there is a problem completing it - please just let me know so that an alternative arrangement can be made.

French



Pupils will be developing their language skills by learning new words and phrases in French. Songs and games will be played with Camembear to reinforce their learning.

