



Class Newsletter



Primary 3



Welcome

Welcome to Primary 3! I am delighted to be your child's teacher this session. All of the children have shown great resilience and settled in to school routines again, like they have never been away. They have responded well to the focus on Health and Wellbeing in class for the first few weeks of term. We have been having lots of fun and I am looking forward to sharing this year's experiences with your child.

Miss Ball

What have Primary 3 been up to?

Since returning to school, Primary 3 have been enjoying a variety of activities in the classroom. We have shared our stories from our time at home and the summer holidays, as well as our hopes and goals for Primary 3!

The children have drawn self-portraits where they focused on proportion. Then they chose adjectives that best described themselves to write around their portrait! This created our eye-catching 'This is Me' wall display.

Our 'Under the Sea' topic for this term has already provided us with lots of opportunities for fun art tasks!

We have learned about the technique of pointillism where tiny dots of colour applied close together create a blended look. We used this to add colour to our drawings of fish.



Primary 3 Class Charter

Every year, all of the pupils across the school in every classroom create a Class Charter. Creating a Class Charter builds the shared values of the classroom and it is created to help children understand how important it is to have rights and to develop their own sense of responsibilities. In Primary 3 this year, we agreed on the 'Primary 3 Promise Tree'. All of the children created their own handprint and designed them with words and drawings about themselves.



Social Studies Topic

Our topic this term is 'Under the Sea'. We have already begun exploring different types of creatures that live in the sea and what their habitats look like. We have also been looking at what creatures come under the categories of carnivores, herbivores and omnivores! We will continue to learn about areas such as plastic pollution and its effects on the animals and environment, and food chains. The first animal we studied was Sea Turtles and we have thoroughly enjoyed creating 3D Sea Turtles and completing a written fact file which included a diagram of their life cycle!



Maths

During maths we have been enjoying using games to reinforce our knowledge of number patterns and sequences. We have been revising the topics of Money, Division and Time to ensure we have a secure understanding in these areas. Encouraging your child to recognise numbers ranging from 100 to 1000 in their environment around them will help build confidence when working with larger numbers. The class will also be progressing their knowledge of times tables and division throughout the year. Data handling and shape work will provide further opportunities for active tasks.

Literacy

In literacy lessons we have been reinforcing our recount writing skills and writing fact files about animals linking with our topic. We have also been enjoying reading tasks where we have predicted the ending of a story and created character profiles. Primary 3 will continue to develop their vocabulary, connectives, openers and punctuation (VCOP) through all literacy tasks. We will be focusing on developing fluency and expression when reading orally and showing understanding of texts through a variety of comprehension activities.



Health and Wellbeing

During PATHs lessons we continue to celebrate 'Pupil of the Week' as well as discussing friendships, emotions and the importance of communicating our feelings. Children's achievements and Head Teacher Certificates also continue to be shared at our weekly virtual assemblies. In P.E we have been taking part in circuits to improve our fitness and have also been enjoying playing team games.



Happy Together, Learning Together, Achieving Together