

P3S Newsletter

Term 4

Dear Parents

I hope you all had a lovely Easter break and are enjoying this sunny start to the term. I have had a great first term in P3S and I am looking forward to my continued work with you and your children this term.

**Our Timetable**

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| **Monday**  | PE with Miss Kennelly |
| **Wednesday** | Science with Mrs Murray |
| **Thursday** | Art/ICT with Mrs Dymond |
| **Friday** | Assembly & Library-11th & 25th May, 8th & 22nd June |

 **Library**

The class will visit the library every second Friday. We have already enjoyed our first visits. Future dates are outlined above. Please continue to ensure your child takes their library books back prior to their next visit. Thank you.

 **Homework**

Our homework routine will change slightly this term. Homework will be handed out on a Thursday, to be returned the following Wednesday. Reading will continue as per last term. If you have any comments or concerns regarding homework, please let me know by writing a note in the Reading Record book.

 **Topic**

This term our topic is the human body. P3S have already came up with some fascinating questions about the human body for us to explore. Some of these include investigating reaction times, exploring our body system, why we bleed and scar, healthy eating and of course there were lots of interesting questions regarding our digestive system! We have already started investigating our skeletons and have lots of other exciting experiments and learning experiences planned to help us answer all of our questions. In science Mrs Murray will also be developing aspects of our topic by investigating sports science.

**Targets**

This term in **Listening and Talking** we will continue to focus on group work and the skills involved in successful group discussions and decision making. We will extend this by highlighting different roles within a group and encouraging the children to explore these roles during teamwork activities.

In **Reading** we will continue with our book detective skills. We will also be focussing on punctuation and the use of interesting adjectives during reading activities in order to transfer this knowledge into our writing.

In **Writing** we will be learning to continue an imaginative story. We will also be developing our skills in persuasive writing and poetry. We hope you enjoyed our Easter card Spring poems. The children worked really hard to create them and were very proud of their finished poems. Punctuation and grammar will continue to be a focus across all activities.

In **Maths,** this term, we will be exploring measurement. We have already started investigating length and we will then move on to weight. At the moment the children have been busy measuring different bones in their bodies. They are certain they will notice a big difference in the length of these bones by the end of term. In Numeracy we will continue to consolidate our knowledge of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will also be extending our mental strategies for problem solving and our ability to explain our reasoning to others.

Our focus for **P.E** will be athletics and the affect that exercise has on our bodies.

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| **Dates for your Diary** |
| **Monday 7th May-** Holiday (no school) **Monday 4th June**- Holiday (no school) | **Friday 8th June** School Sports Day**Friday 15th June** Alternative Sports Day & Shorts and Shades disco |

If you would like more information, or there is anything you would like to discuss please do not hesitate to contact me. I look forward to working in partnership with you to ensure another enjoyable and productive term for your child.

Yours sincerely

Miss Lir Kennelly

*Class Teacher P3S*