P2S Newsletter

Term 3

Welcome back and a Happy New Year! Firstly, thank you all very much for the kind Christmas gifts, many of which are the reason why I am now on a diet! I am pleased to let you know what P2S will be working on this term, along with some dates for your diary.

Our learning

- In Maths we will be continuing to work on addition and subtraction to 20 and numbers to 100. For children requiring more of a challenge, we will introduce addition and subtraction of twodigit numbers using mental strategies and 'chimney sums'. Our topics in Maths this term will be Measurement and Money and we will also look at basic mapping skills.
- In Literacy we will be working on our handwriting, punctuation and past and present tenses. We will have new phonics sounds, spelling words and common words each week and in writing we will be preparing reports linked to our topics.
- Our topic this term is 'Transport'. We will be looking at the history and development of different forms of transport and designing our own transport for the future. Linked to this we will learn about 'Forces' and 'Materials'.
- For Health & Well-being we will be doing team games in P.E, specifically rounders, working on our throwing and catching skills and also communication and teamwork. Throughout the term we will discuss the emotions of anger and kindness, completing activities to promote a positive attitude to ourselves and others.

Dates for your Diary

Mid-term holiday	-	Friday 8 & Monday 11 February
In-Service Days	-	Tuesday 12 & Wednesday 13 February
World Book Day	-	Thursday 7 March
Reports issued	-	Monday 11 March
P2S Assembly	-	Friday 15 March
End of Term	-	Friday 29 March
Term 4 Starts	-	Monday 15 April

The class will visit the library every second **Thursday** this term. Dates are as follows: 24th January, 7th & 21st February, 7th & 21st March. Please check return date stamps in books and ensure books are returned on time.

Timetable

Tuesday	-	P.E
Thursday	-	Library (every 2nd week)
	-	P.E
	-	Drama with Mrs McGillivray

Things to Remember

• bring book bag and home/school diary to school every day (please ensure that this is checked daily for notes/letters)

• bring a fresh water bottle every day (please note that juice is not allowed in the classroom)

• to encourage healthy eating, the School's Golden Carrot competition continues. Children are encouraged to bring a healthy snack Monday – Thursday and to leave Friday as a treat day!

• have gym bag (containing shorts, t-shirt, shoes and socks if girls may be wearing tights) in school at all times. These will be sent home regularly for washing.

• please do not allow children to bring toys in to school unless specifically asked. They often get broken or lost and can be a source of conflict in the class.

• come to school dressed appropriately for all weather conditions – we will be learning outside in all weathers! Please ensure that all items of clothing, shoes, pencil cases, bags and water bottles are clearly labelled.

Homework / Reading

Any homework will be handed out on a Thursday and should be returned the following **Tuesday**. Please sign your child's homework task and return it in the coloured homework folder provided.

Weekly reading work will be issued on the same days as last term and will be noted in the red home/school diary. The books should be brought to school each day as we will use them in class. Common words for the week will be given out each Monday and put in the plastic folder.

As always, if you have any questions / concerns please do not hesitate to write in your child's home/school diary, contact the school office or catch me at the end of the day.

Thank you for your support. Miss Lindsay Cameron