

Literacy

Primary 1:

In Primary 1, we'll continue to learn new sounds (phonemes). We will practice forming the letters, blending sounds together and reading harder to read and spell words.

Primary 2:

In Primary 2, we'll continue to recognise and apply the sounds we have learned when we are reading and writing. We will practice forming our letters correctly and write sentences with capital letters, full stops and finger spaces. We will learn about conjunctions (and, but, because) to make our sentences longer.

In P1/2 we are working on being independent and ready for school.

Please help us by...

Naming all our belongings. We have lots of jumpers going to lost property because they are not named.

Discouraging your child from bringing toys to school.

Practicing organising our own belongings and tidying up.

Promoting independence when getting changed in and out of our PE kits.

Numeracy and Maths

We'll be developing our number and maths sense through lots of practical and active learning. We'll explore numbers in different ways, building our confidence with counting, recognising numbers, number sequences and understanding how numbers work together.

We will explore addition and subtraction through practical activities, games and everyday situations. We will develop our understanding of combining, adding to and taking away, using objects, pictures and numbers to share our thinking.

We will explore 2D shapes and 3D objects. We will learn the names of the shapes and objects and their properties.

Health and Wellbeing

Building Resilience:

We will explore how to keep trying when things feel tricky, learn from mistakes and ask for help when we need it. Through stories, play and everyday challenges, we will build confidence and practise ways to manage our feelings and cope with setbacks.

P2 Nativity

Primary 2 will lead the Christmas Church Service this year. We will learn about the story of the first Christmas and perform it at Kelso North Parish Church.

IDL: Brilliant Bodies

We will:

- Identify and name different parts of the body, including important organs.
- Investigate the role of our skeleton and joints.
- Explore our different senses and how we use them.

How you can help at home

Reading activities to support decoding and fluency

Each week, online reading homework will be set for every child. The e-books provided correspond to the learning completed in class. Each one is designed to help children identify their new sounds so they can practise blending words. They will also contain a range of harder to read and spell words taught in school. Supporting your child's reading at home can improve their confidence, fluency and decoding abilities. Please encourage your child to read their e-books at home. Every child has an individual account and their login details can be found on the card sent home last week.

Practising addition and subtraction at home

- Practise adding and taking away with everyday objects, such as toys, snacks or cutlery.
- Play dice or board games, counting forwards as you move and exploring how many more or fewer.
- Talk about simple number problems during daily routines, such as "We have 3 plates — how many more do we need?"

Books to talk about building resilience

- The Koala Who Could — Rachel Bright: *embracing change and finding courage to try new things.*
- The Most Magnificent Thing — Ashley Spires: *managing frustration and keeping going when things feel tricky.*
- Giraffes Can't Dance — Giles Andreae: *building confidence and believing in yourself.*
- Ruby's Worry — Tom Percival: *talking about worries and asking for support*