



Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2010

Dear Primary 1 Parents and Carers,

Welcome back and we hope you all had a good holiday. The children are now settled into the routines of Primary one and we are looking forward to a busy term in the lead up to Christmas.

The topics for this term are outlined below:

Language

We will be continuing to follow Edinburgh's Achievement in Literacy programme where the children will be learning their sounds and how these sounds go together to make words.

Mathematics

We will be working on numbers 0 to 20, patterns and sequences and basic money.

Sciences

Our topic this term is 'Awareness of Hazards'.

Health and wellbeing

We are following whole school Emotional Literacy programme and will cover the 'Anti - bullying' topic. Through this we will develop confidence in talking about our feelings. We will also be learning about handwashing.

R.M.E

This term's topic will be 'Family Celebrations'.

Expressive Arts

P.E

Ball skills  
(some lessons with Mr Naysmith)

Art

Collage

Music  
Drama

Singing - nativity songs  
Nativity practise  
(some lessons with Ms Burdon)

Technologies

basic computer skills taught through  
class work and sessions in computer  
suite with Mrs Bell

Homework

- Please continue to practise the letters your child has been learning
- The maths and language homework challenges will continue this term. Each pupil has been given a jotter to practise the work for their challenge. Remember to complete the tick sheet for each challenge and hand this back to school.

Assessment is for Learning

- We will be using the traffic light system, collaborative working, thumbs, whiteboards, peer/ self assessment, post its and WALT and WILF in the classroom to help us with our learning. Ask your child to explain these to you if you are unsure of what they are.
- Your child will have his/her own Personal Learning Plan which will have individualised targets for each term. There will be a chance later in the session for you to come in and share these with your child.
- There will be opportunities for the children to learn through play this session.
- Pupils use the shared area on a daily basis for active learning stations.

P.E Kit

- Your child should ensure they have a gym kit in school. They will need a bag for their kit, a pair of shorts, a t-shirt and a pair of gym rubbers. Please label all the items in the bag and the bag itself.

On Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November you are invited in to school for a workshop run by 'family learning' where your child will receive a free book. Please look out for a flyer with more information.

Thank you for your support. If you have any questions or queries then please do not hesitate to call or come in and see us.

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