

**P2H Termly Update
Session 2017/18
Term 3**



Class News

Welcome to term 3. I hope you have enjoyed the festive season and are looking forward to the New Year. Hopefully there will be no more snow days. However, should one arise information about snow day activities is available on the school website <http://meldrum-pri.aberdeenshire.sch.uk/>. Please label all items (P.E. kits, gym shoes, sweatshirts, cardigans and water bottles) .As part of our topic this term we would like to collect avocado and mango seeds. If you have any please wash and dry the seed before sending it in.

Weekly Timetable

Monday	Reading/Phonics Maths, Science, Assembly, Health and Wellbeing
Tuesday	Reading/Phonics. P.E., Maths, Magic Writing, Topic
Wednesday	Maths, Story Writing, OTTER Club. Topic
Thursday	Maths, Reading/Handwriting, Topic, Art
Friday	Reading, Gammar, Comprehension, Maths, PE, Topic

This Term's Learning

Literacy and English...

We will continue to learn sight vocabulary and common words. We shall be learning to spell using the sounds au, ew, ow(owl), ou, igh, y and magic e. We will continually revise all the sounds we have learned in P1 and P2. During Active Literacy tasks we will learn words with these sounds in them. In our story writing our focus will be using good vocabulary, punctuation, connectives and giving each story a beginning, a middle and an ending. Using our topic as a stimulus we will be writing imaginative stories, reports and poetry. We will learn and present a Scottish Poem for the Burns competition to develop our listening and talking skills.

Mathematics...

We will continue to recognise, count and order numbers to 100. Then work on our understanding of the concept of place value. We will work on developing mental strategies to add number to 10 and beyond. We will continue counting in 2s, 3s, 4s, 5s and 10s and identify odd and even numbers. We will be learning to recognise the coins to £2 and count amounts to £1. We will then be carrying out measuring activities. There will also be activities to help us learn about data handling and symmetry.

Across the Curriculum...

Rainforest - Maths – Creating bar charts. Butterfly and bug symmetry. Literacy – Writing 3 part stories, instructions, reports, poems. Reading rainforest books for information and pleasure. Creating an A – Z book. Expressive Arts – Using our artwork to create a classroom display. Sciences – four layers in a rainforest, compost, life cycles, water cycle, experiments with plants. Rainforest creatures. Health and Wellbeing – Rights and Responsibilities, Circle Times. Role of UNICEF, Technologies –Building a rain gauge. Social Studies – Why trees are important. People of the rainforest, endangered species, things we get from the rainforest.

Home Learning Arrangements

- Target Setting
- Rainforest homework grid
- Reading (Twice weekly)
- Maths Challenges

Class Notes

If your child needs water during class time please supply them with a named water bottle. Please provide your child with a gym kit containing shorts and gym shoes. During P.E we require that all long hair is tied up and any earrings are covered with tape.