



Mid Calder Primary School - P2/I Learning Letter



Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to Term 2 of Primary 2/I! We loved seeing and appreciated so many of you attending our recent Stay and Play event. We have lots to look forward to this term with our P1 pupils getting to perform in our upcoming 'Wriggly Nativity' in December. We also have our very own assembly in January to showcase what we have learnt in our upcoming IDL topic 'Under the Sea'! As always if you have any questions or queries on the coming term, please get in touch via the school office to arrange a meeting.

Mr. Kerr and Miss. Peters



Maths & Numeracy



P1

We will continue developing our addition and subtraction capabilities using concrete materials and pictorials. Pupils will begin exploring estimation using real life examples as well as sequencing, comparing and ordering numbers.

In Beyond Number we will be looking at measurement, investigating and comparing different sizes.

P2

Our focus this term will be on counting on/backwards to 100. We will also continue to develop the learner's addition and subtraction skills while looking at grouping numbers in 10s and 1s. We will also look at estimating quantities and checking by counting, and ordering and comparing numbers to 100.

In beyond number we will investigate measurement in more depth by making estimations and measuring with the appropriate units.



Literacy

P1

Phonics: We have completed set 1 sounds and will now use these to blend and make words to ensure the learning is secure before progressing to set 2.

Reading: We will continue to focus exploring texts both fiction and non-fiction. These will also link to our topic. During reading sessions we will make predictions and discuss characters within the story.

Writing: We will continue developing our sentence writing skills through black pen drawings, scribing and looking at descriptive adjectives in more detail.

Listening and Talking: We will continue to practise listening and talking in small groups and whole class discussions. This will help in developing confidence for our upcoming assembly.

P2

Reading: This term we will focus on reading tricky words and introducing the action words programme. During reading we will focus on characters and predictions

Writing: Our writing focus this term will be on Procedure writing where we will look at instructional examples and create our own.

Listening and Talking: We will continue to practise listening and talking in small groups and whole class discussions. This will help in developing confidence for our upcoming assembly.



Interdisciplinary Learning (IDL)



'Under the Sea'



This term our IDL Context for Learning will be 'Under the Sea'. We will use this context to explore a range of subjects and attempt to answer some key questions:

- How many oceans are there and where are they?
- What animals live in the sea and what do they eat?
- Why do some things float in water and others sink?
 - Why is the sea salty?
- How can we look after the ocean?

Through this topic we will explore various parts of the curriculum such as Social Studies, Science, Literacy, Numeracy and Expressive Arts.

P.E.

P.E. days:

Mondays and **Thursdays**

Pupils can come to school in suitable P.E. clothing on those days.

Important Dates:

Book Week Scotland Parent Pop-In: Thursday 20th November

P2/I Assembly: Friday 16th January