Mid Calder Primary School - P3a Class Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Term 2 in P3a - I hope you all enjoyed a lovely October break! I am looking forward to a busy term where we will continue to develop routine, structure and make great progress in our learning! Please do not hesitate to get in touch with me via the school office if you have any queries or concerns this term.

Miss Clark

Literacy learning:

Spelling: We will follow the Phonics International spelling programme using differentiated activities and new spelling patterns each week.

Writing and Grammar: We will use our PM Writing programme to explore recount texts.

Reading: Our reading sessions will include looking at a variety of recount texts to make links to our writing genre focus whilst developing reading skills, fluency and questioning in reading.

Numeracy and Maths learning:

Numeracy: This term the focus will be on addition and subtraction.

Maths: This term the focus will be on measure.

We will also continue to develop mental strategies using 'Number Talks' and "Thinking, Building Classrooms'.

Interdisciplinary learning (IDL):

Using a child-led approach to our Nasa Juniors topic, we may look at the following areas:

The sun

The moon

Astronauts - Life in space

Moon buggies

HWB learning:

RSHP: This term the focus will be on the Zones of Regulation.

P.E: This term the focus will be on fitness, dance and hockey.

PE days: Tuesday and Wednesday.

Homework:

Homework will begin the week of 2nd November using the P3 Seesaw platform. A new homework pack will uploaded to Seesaw on this date.

Digital learning:

We will continue to use digital technology to enhance our learning in P3. Some of our favourite digital learning tools are Seesaw, Sumdog, EPIC and Splashlearn.

Important dates:

- Class assembly: Friday 27th November 9.45am-10.30am
- Christmas service at the Kirk: Friday 18th December 9.45am-10.45am



United Nations Rights of a Child: In December 2024 we successfully achieved our Silver Rights Respecting School Award. As a school we are currently working towards our Gold Award and are engaging in lots of activities to develop our children's understanding of their rights. If you'd like to learn more, then you can use the following link from Parents Club: https://www.parentclub.scot/articles/childrens-rights.