

Primary 3 – January to Easter

It has been a busy year so far and we still have lots of learning planned before we reach summer!

Last term, the children enjoyed a learning block focused on the Sun, Moon and Stars. It was great to see so many home learning projects being brought into school which we were able to share and use to support our learning. Please remember, these tasks can be individual or a family effort.

Christmas was a very busy time in school. Primary 3 worked really hard learning four Scottish Dances before our party. Everyone had a ball !



Specialist Teachers

This year the class will have the following specialist teachers:

Dance: **Mrs Smith**

Music: **Mrs McEnroy**

PE

Children will have PE on:

Mondays and Thursdays

For PE please make sure your child has...

- A T-shirt
- Shorts
- Indoor shoes

All clothes should be labelled. At the end of term, please ask your child to bring their PE kit home for washing.

Expressive Arts

Studying the Romans lends itself really well to developing skills across the Expressive Arts.

In Drama, we will be working with Ms Aird, the Midlothian Drama Specialist where we will look at Roman family life in more detail.

We will also become potters and will be fashioning our own clay pots, urns and vases.

Roman Mosaics will also be studied, designed and created using a variety of media.



Upcoming Events for Primary 3:

- P3 will be enjoying their own mini **Burns Celebration** on **Thursday 25th January** in class
- We hope you can join us on our **Shared Learning** day on **Wednesday 7th February**. Details of times to follow

Our Learning in Primary 3B...

Literacy and English

Reading, Spelling, and Grammar will continue to be taught through the 'Read Write Inc.' Programme.



Lots of good progress has been made so far this year.

Writing will be done in our own classes. The stimulus for this will come from our IDL work.

Numeracy and Maths

The children will continue to work in their Numeracy Teams with the same teacher on Monday to Thursdays.

In addition to this, practical maths topics will be taught in these teams on Fridays.

Homework will be given out on a Monday and should be handed in on a Thursday to your Numeracy teacher.

Our new Interdisciplinary Learning (IDL) Topic

We will be learning about **Romans** this term.

The IDL homework grid is designed so there is something for everybody and we hope it not only extends learning but that it is a really enjoyable way to complete homework.

The tasks can either be completed independently or as a family task. We encourage everyone to constantly challenge themselves when working on this homework.

IDL homework should be handed in every Monday. We expect everyone to complete at least one activity each week.



Top Tips to support learning...

- Try to set aside quiet times for completing any homework.
- Encourage your child to choose lots of different types of reading material including books, magazines, newspapers, comics or recipes and even audio books. The library is a great place to find good examples.
- Build confidence in reading through shared reading sessions. Ask your child questions during reading, such as how do the characters feel and encourage them to make predictions.
- Encourage your child to see how maths is used in everyday life by involving them when using money, telling the time, measuring quantities etc.

If you have a concern or query;

- Feel free to approach one of us in the playground either at the start or at the end of the school day.
- Make an appointment at the school office to speak to one of us.
- Write a note and send it to school with your child.

Don't forget... You can share in your child's learning journey and keep in touch by following us on [Twitter](#) @woodburnPS