

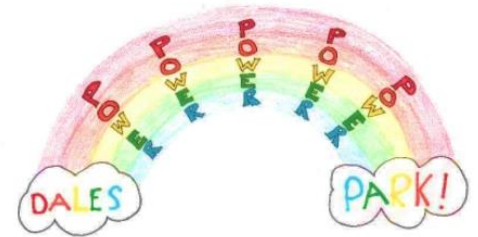
Welcome to Primary 1: Term 1

Our Classroom Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Last week we recorded some videos to show you some of the activities that we do in P1, and we hope you enjoyed these. If you have not yet seen these videos and wish to have a look, there was a link to these sent out. As the year goes on, we will continue to record videos and update you on different aspects of the school.

As P1, we are enjoying a busy start to the year, learning new rules and routines, while familiarising ourselves with new classmates and adults within the school. They are doing such a fantastic job!



Numeracy

This term we have started working on forming and recognising numbers to 10. We will be introducing a new number each week to the children and will be basing our activities around this.

We will also be looking at sorting by size, colour and shape.

Literacy

Using the Jolly Phonics programme we have begun recognition and formation of letters, and we will be learning two new sounds each week.

We will also be working on:

- Knowing the difference between a letter and a word and learning to say and blend phonic sounds.
- Developing skills in predicting, retelling, sequencing, summarising through story telling.
- Improving our pencil grip, to hold it comfortably with strength and fluidity.
- Encouraging mark making and writing through play and classroom activities
- Learning new tricky words each week.



Interdisciplinary Learning

For our context learning this term the focus will be on 'Myself'.

Within this topic the children will be discussing families, feelings, relationships, senses, communication, things that make us different, and respecting ourselves and others.

Our Timetable

This is a timetable of our week for term 1, for when we might be out of class or a visiting specialist is in, there is always the possibility that this might change due to unforeseen circumstances and you will be notified beforehand.

Day of the Week	Miss Cameron's Class	Miss Strachan's Class
Monday		
Tuesday	Outdoor learning with Mrs. Badan	
Wednesday		
Thursday		Outdoor learning with Mrs. Dunbar
Friday	P.E	P.E



Communication & Home Learning

You should have received your homework packs to support your child's learning at home. The homework pack should have included a numeracy pack, phonics pack and a keyring with all the tricky words attached. The homework packs should support your child's learning through the first two terms of Primary one.

We will also use Seesaw to send out information on what we are learning each week and provide an explanation of what you can be doing for homework during each week.

Seesaw will be our primary tool for sending updates, discussing minor situations and expressing praise.

How you can help

- Please check Seesaw regularly for updates.
- Make sure your child's clothing and items are clearly labelled.
- Friday is P.E day, so please send your child dressed in their cosy and comfy P.E clothes.
- Outdoor Learning is on a Tuesday (Miss Cameron's Class) and a Thursday (Miss Strachan's Class). Your child should dress cosy and comfy for this day too.
- Ask your child to retell stories they hear at school.
- Encourage learning of sounds within common words
- Encourage pride in learning even if they make a mistake.
- Engage your child in numeracy in the world around them, counting and identifying shapes
- Practise basic drawing skills with shapes to create pictures.

