



# Primary 2B Newsletter: Term 3 2017-18

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Welcome to our termly Class Newsletter which aims to give you a little more information about what your child will be doing this term.

## Welcome to Term 3

### Timetable

	P.E	French	Reading	Music	Asse mby
Mon	√				
Tues			√	√	
Wed	√				
Thurs		√	√		
Fri					√

Please note that there may be changes to this timetable.

### PE Kits/Indoor Shoes

Please ensure your child has PE kit on Monday & Wednesday, and wears clothes on those days that are easy to change into and out of. **Please check with your child to see if they have indoor shoes** (some do not), and that the Velcro still works so they can run about safely in the hall.

### Night & Day

This term we will be using night & day as the context for our learning.

This will include:

- light sources/reflection of light
- how the position of the sun, moon and earth affect the length of the day & the season
- nocturnal animals in Scotland, and
- properties of materials

As ever, please encourage your child to bring in any extra facts and information, stories based on these themes, pictures, photos etc that they would like to share with the class.

### Writing

The class were working hard to develop independent writing skills last term and this will continue to be the focus this term.

### Tickled Pink/Green for Growth – Marking Scheme

The pink underlining picks out something 'good' - a sound word for that week, use of an adventurous word (correctly spelt or not), or a full stop at the end of a sentence. The green is something that could be improved (eg a missing full stop).

To avoid discouraging the children, I pick out in green an **achievable** next step, **not** all possible improvements.

### 2 Stars and a Wish – Marking Scheme

2 'good things' about the piece (written in pink)  
1 wish (a green wand symbol) – 1 thing to improve.

### Please help your child by.....

- Pointing out the next steps and helping them to achieve these each week.
- Encouraging them to use the sounds they know to write words by themselves. They will spell them phonetically, (and do not yet know all the sounds they need). This will give them the confidence to write without asking for help with each word.

## Maths

This term we will be working on place value (tens and units), and continuing to work on addition. In topic maths, we will continue to learn about digital and analogue time (o' clock, half past), months of the year and thinking about duration. We'll also be looking at some data and measure.

### Please help your child by.....

- Use The Big Number Song to help your child learn numbers up to 100. Keep stopping the video and asking which number comes next, especially the next 'tens' number eg 39 to .....40.
- Practise counting in 2's, 5's and 10's – Scratch Garden have some good songs videos to help with this.

### Homework/Purple Packets

Please make sure your child brings their purple packet each day to school for notes & homework.

### Marvellous Me

I'm posting photos onto this for those of you who have filled out the permission slips. If you **'allow notifications'** within the app, you will get a text to let you know when there is a new posting. If you have not yet completed the permission slip, please do, as there are some lovely photos of the children which will help you to keep up to date with what they are learning at school.

