

Tynewater Primary School

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Information for Parents

Outline Plan for Learning and Teaching

Literacy & English

Reading

Reading this period will focus on using punctuation marks as clues to how pupils should read aloud more fluently. Also, we will be deliberately looking at some passages and stories which are more simply understood so that pupils can add expression and interest when reading aloud.



Listening & Talking

Writing

The writing focus this period is on factual writing in the form of reports. Our weekly writing will be linked to our topic, writing about rainforest animals, deforestation and a report into our plant experiments.

Health & Wellbeing

Primary 3 will follow a programme called 'Bounce Back' to explore friendships and bullying. This will include finding suitable strategies for solving disputes and how to ask for help if you are being bullied.



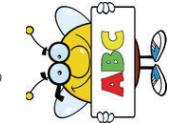
Grammar

Daily grammar work will reinforce using capital letters and full stops appropriately. In grammar lessons, we will be reinforcing parts of speech.



Spelling

Our spelling assessment has greatly helped to identify the spellings rules Primary 3 need to focus on. Spelling will be given weekly and reinforced by short daily activities in the classroom.



Expressive Arts

Drama

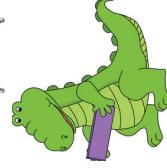
Due to the nativity, there will be little drama focus this period. Some pupils will take part in whole-school assemblies.

Music

P3 will look at musical concepts such as pitch, rhythm and dynamics.

Mathematics

In maths, pupils will complete a daily 'Number of the Day' activity to reinforce key number work concepts. Our focus from Period 4 will continue to be addition and subtraction trying to rely less on 'Counting On'. We will also discuss telling the time, looking at half past, quarter past and quarter to the hour.



Technologies

Primary 3 will be using technology as a tool to help us learn about the rainforest. This will include learning about searching the internet and choosing good words to search with. Linked to our Health & Wellbeing focus, we will discuss how technology can make friendships better and bullying situations worse. We will continue to use Sumdog and Education City to enhance learning.

Music

P3 will re-create a range of plants and animals using a range of materials and resources.

RME

We will begin to discuss what is meant by the term moral value and discuss key terms such as love, kindness, honesty, respect, cooperation and forgiveness.

Sciences

The scientific aspects of our topic involve looking at living things in the rainforest. We will also create experiments to discover what plants need in order to grow.



Social Studies

A rainforest is a very different environment to Scotland. Primary 3 will compare their environment to that of the rainforest, looking at rainforest life and climate. Also, we will identify key countries which have rainforests and discuss the concept of deforestation.



Class Information

Primary 3 will use the Rainforest as a topic for Period 5 and Period 6. During this time, we will focus on many different aspects of the science curriculum.

