



Primary 1 Class News

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Literacy News

This term in Primary One we have begun our reading journey by learning our first sounds. We have worked really hard to learn the correct pronunciations of these sounds and have started to put the sounds together to read words. To learn our sounds we have been using a phonic programme called 'Sounds Write' We have introduced our Unit One sounds a,i,m, s and t. We have focussed on these sounds daily in our Primary One routine to help the children gain a good knowledge and understanding of these initial sounds. Within this programme as new sounds

are introduced, others are also constantly revisited to help deepen the children's understanding.

We have also been focussing on our P1 handwriting programme where we follow instructions to make pre-handwriting patterns such as circles, zig zags and waves to help prepare us for our writing journey. We have continued to focus on developing our fine motor skills and strengthen our fingers too.

We have been focussing on adding detail to our drawings in our writing lessons and we have all made amazing progress with this! We began our writing journey by focussing on our faces and adding detail to these, then moving onto our whole body and how our arms and legs move when we kick a ball, catch a ball etc. Using Foundations for writing, this term we scribe the sentence for the children as they begin to develop their formation of letters.

Maths News

This term we have focused on learning about numbers to 5. This has also involved counting accurately, recognising numbers and also working on forming our numbers correctly. We have been very successful at this! We've learned this through lots of different activities – counting with lots of different materials, learning stories about how to write the different numbers and writing numbers in lots of different ways – in glitter or sand, with paint and of course in our workbooks too.

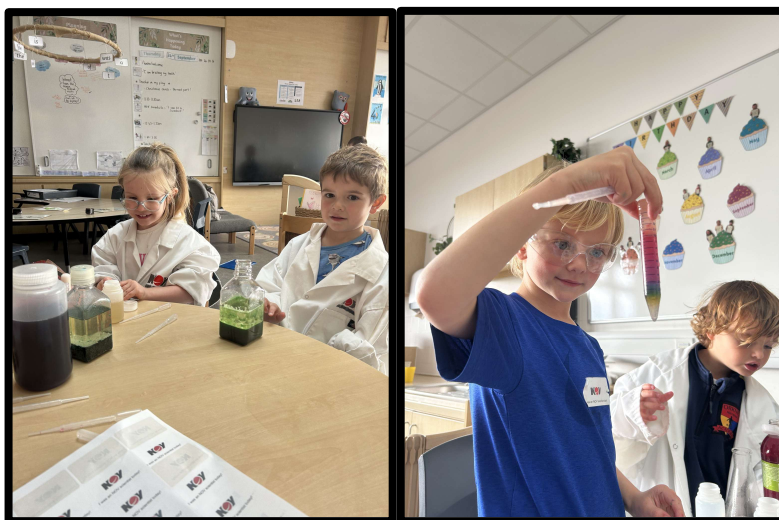
We have now started to focus on our numbers from 6-10 and will continue to develop our understanding of these within our learning through play, sensory activities, stories and within our more formal learning too.

Wider Curricular News

We have been continuing to learn within our play throughout term one. This is a vital part of the children's learning journey where they can imbed and implement their more formal learning but also become curious in their learning and follow their own interests sparking creativity and imagination.

The children have been problem solving and developing their critical thinking skills, further developing their negotiation skills and co-operation, becoming independent learners by leading their play and developing focus as they engage.

They have really enjoyed some 'science experiments' which they showed great interest in after visits throughout the Science Festival and a visit from 2 NOV scientists too.



This term we have also been getting to know our P7 buddies who have been helping us to settle into school life with confidence.

Celebrations

Within our class this term we have been focussing on our school learning behaviours. This term we have enjoyed working with May the Motivated puffin. Many children have been delighted to have May join them in their learning for being so motivated to learn- well done!

All of the children are settling well into Primary One and are becoming very familiar with our rules and routines, and we wish to celebrate their successful first term in school! Well Done everyone!

