

Literacy - Listening, Talking, Reading and Writing

We are going to be reading *The Iron Man* by Ted Hughes and doing lots of drama, art and writing activities to develop our understanding and engagement with it. We will look particularly at the features of news reporting and work towards producing our own work. We will continue to develop the children punctuation, developing their use exclamation marks, question marks and speech marks. We will continue to read regularly in groups and independently.

Maths

We will start off by exploring money. We will look at recognising and adding up coins and notes. We will then move on to different ways to make a specific amount of money and how to find change by counting on. We will continue to develop mental agility skills, confidence with estimation, counting in multiples, doubling, halving and problem solving - including missing number calculations (the children will know the last as SPLAT!).

Other Curricular Areas

We will be learning about plants through gardening and propagating plants indoors.

We will learn more songs and singing games; developing our understanding of beat, rhythm and melody as well as noticing how music can contribute to our wellbeing.

We will begin to learn about elements of visual art (texture, line, colour, form).

We will play games and sing songs in French to extend and consolidate vocabulary relating to colour, weather, days of the week and parts of the body.

Health & Wellbeing

Our health and wellbeing topic this term is 'Take a moment'. The key messages are:

- *We all experience a range of emotions every day.*
- *Sometimes we feel stressed.*
- *I have ways to help me cope.*

We have started by exploring a range of emotions through facial expression and body language and expanding our vocabulary to describe a range and shades of emotion. We will also use visual art to express feelings.

Home Learning -

To see how your child is progressing in school, go to <https://victoria.yourlearningjournals.co.uk/>.

Children will have spelling homework most weeks. There are some suggestions in their spelling book about how to practise but any way that works for them is fine! We are aiming for 5-10 mins of independent reading in class every day. It would be great if they could also do this at home. Research has shown lots of benefits to regular reading so we really want to encourage this. We will be encouraging everyone to progress from counting in multiples to becoming confident with more times-tables facts. Suggestions of how to improve and individual targets will be sent home.

Ethos & Wider Life of the School:

Our class assembly will be at 9.30am on Friday 6th October - all parents and carers and wider family will be welcome.

In order to build friendships and support across classes we will be teaching some simple singing games to P1s and P2s and will have shared activity time with the P3 classes most Fridays.

If you have any queries or concerns, or wish to celebrate a success, please do not hesitate to contact us. Thank you for your continued support.

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Events and Information

For more events and information please visit www.victoriaprimary.com and follow our Twitter account on @Victoria_Edin.

Our Parent Teacher Association is very active and if you wish to get involved, please scan this QR code. You would have opportunities to support the school in a variety of ways.

