



Welcome to
P3/4

2024/25

Teacher: Mrs McLean

Classroom Assistant: Miss Brown

Classroom Values

Promote
Independence and
initiative

Show respect for
others and
property.

Build confidence
and increase self-
esteem

Celebrate our
achievements

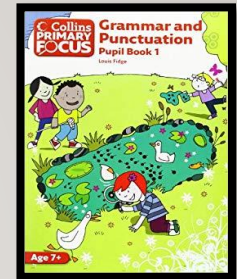
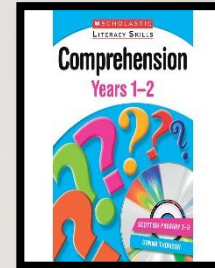
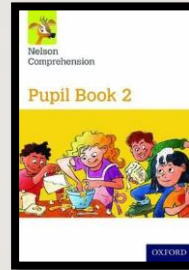
Develop
social skills

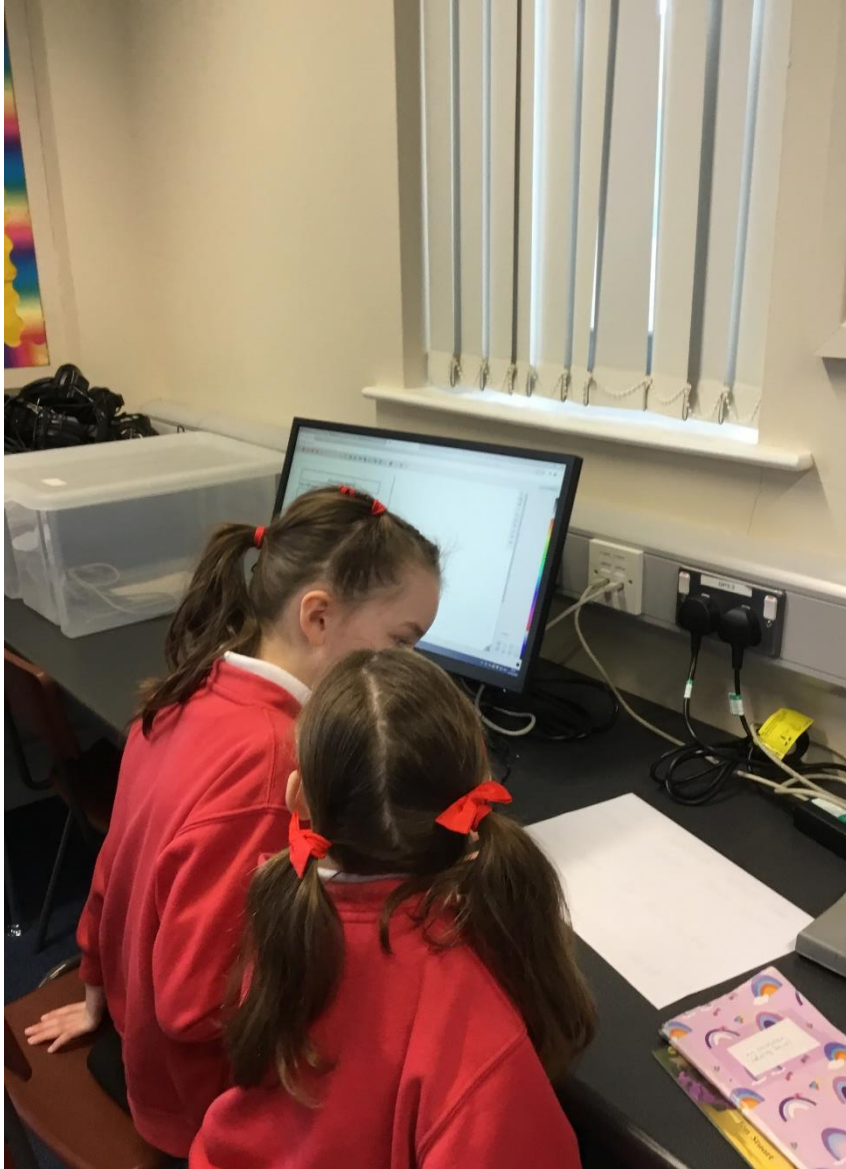
Build resilience – F.A.I.L. (First Attempts in Learning)

Take responsibility for our actions

LITERACY

- Phonics and Spellings – follow the Synthetic Phonics Scheme Jolly Grammar. Weekly spelling lists incorporate high frequency words and focus on a particular phonics sound. These are tested every Friday.
- Grammar – P3 sentence structure, opposites, compound words, nouns, verbs and adjectives.
- P4 –conjunctions, tenses, contractions, commas, dictionary skills etc.
- Comprehension – literal, inference, prediction and retelling skills through varied styles of text.
- Creative Writing – teacher guidance to write letters, stories, recounts, reports, poems and instructions.
- Talking and Listening – retelling stories, poems and events. Listening to and valuing others' ideas.





Word processing instructions about how to make fizzy moons.



USING IPADS TO PHOTOGRAPH NOUNS IN OUR PLAYGROUND.

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READING



Pupils' reading is regularly assessed to establish their reading level and to formulate reading groups. Reading groups may be re-organized throughout the year depending on individual pupil's progress.

Pupils read in class three times per week. Sight reading, using phonics sounds to decode words, comprehension skills and identifying grammar points are incorporated into each reading session. This prepared reading is allocated as the reading homework. Pupils complete a weekly written reading activity on Fridays. This is an informal way of assessing their sight reading and comprehension of the text.

It is essential that parents listen to their child read aloud and sign the Reading Record Book every night.

OUR STRATEGIES FOR TEACHING NUMERACY

PRACTICAL ACTIVITIES

I.C.T. SKILLS

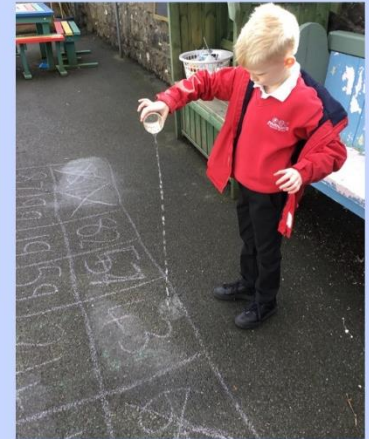
GAMES

WRITTEN RECORDING

MENTAL STRATEGIES

PROBLEM SOLVING





Number

- Number bonds to 20
- Odd and even numbers to 100
- Money up to 99p
- Fractions – halves of shapes and numbers
- Add and subtract tens and units
- Counting in multiples of two, five and ten
- Using symbols $<$ $>$ $=$
- Rounding numbers to the nearest ten



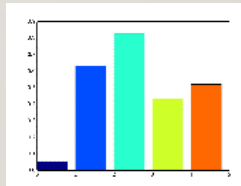
Time and Measures



- O' clock, half past and a quarter past to in analogue and digital time
- Days, months and seasons
- Weight, Capacity and Length – ordering amounts and measuring with non-standard units

Data Handling

- Gathering information using tally marks
- Pictograms and Block Graphs
- Intersecting Venn Diagram
- Two box Carroll Diagram



Shape, Position and Movement

- Recognising and naming 2D and 3D shapes
- Symmetry of pictures and shapes.
- Directions and prepositions



Number



- Add and subtract within 999
- Money up to £9.99
- Fractions – halves and quarters of shapes and numbers
- Multiplication – 2x 3x 4x 5 x and 10x tables

Time and Measures

- Half past, a quarter past and a quarter to in analogue and digital time
- The Calendar
- Weight, Capacity and Length – introduce and use standard units
- Area – using non standard units to cover surfaces

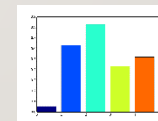


Shape, Position and Movement



- Properties of 2D and 3D shapes
- Grid referencing and co-ordinates
- Symmetry of pictures and shapes.
- Compass points and directions

Data Handling

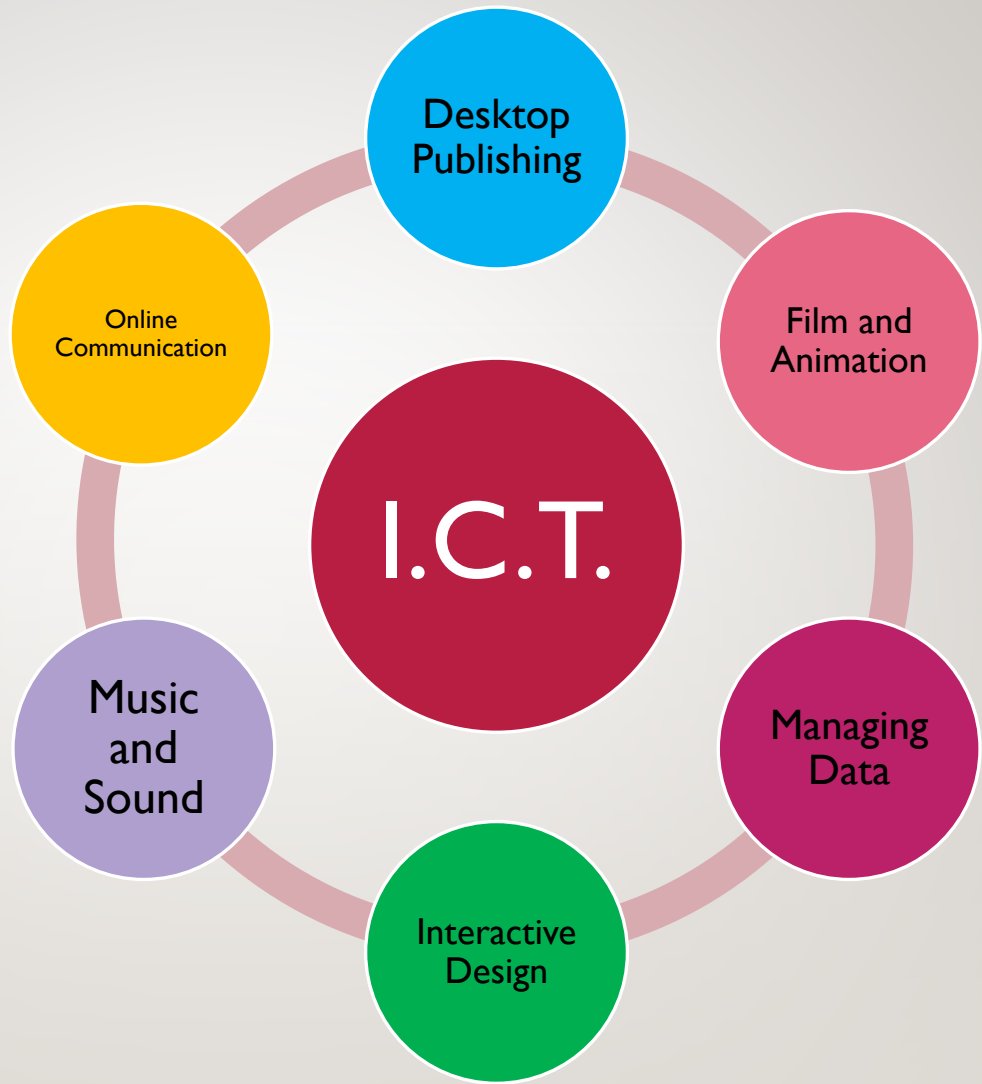


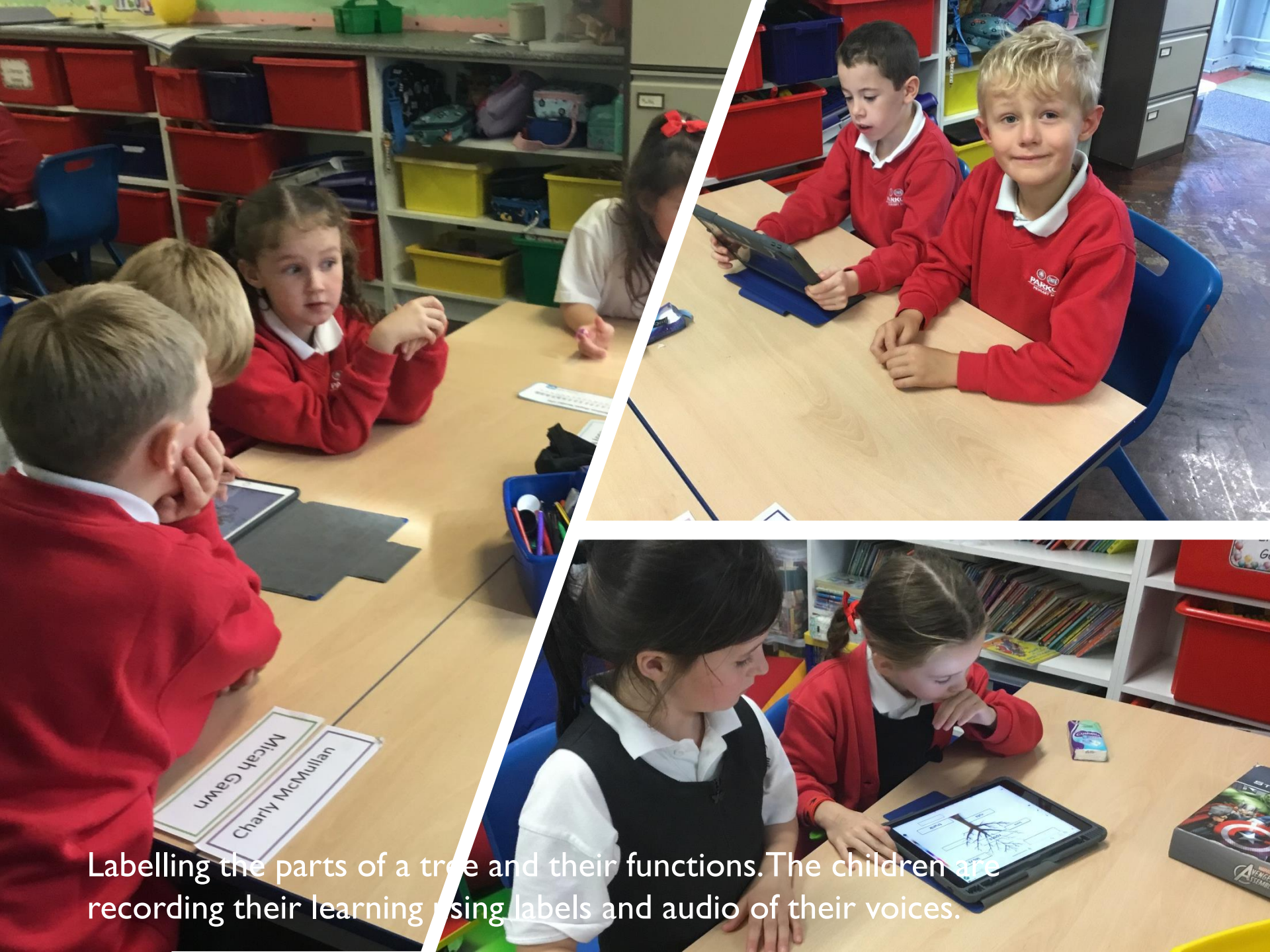
Compiling and interpreting:

- Bar Graphs
- Venn, Carroll and Tree Diagrams



Safety online is an integral part of the I.C.T. curriculum.





Labelling the parts of a tree and their functions. The children are recording their learning using labels and audio of their voices.

The World Around Us



- Compare and contrast the city and the country.
- Materials for costumes.
- Flight and gravity.

Superheroes

- The parts of a ship.
- Defense and weapons onboard.
- Roles of the crew.
- Floating and sinking.

Pirates



Polar Lands

- Weather conditions
- Polar animals
- Famous polar expeditions
- Comparing Arctic and Antarctic

Famous People

- Grace Darling
- Captain Scott
- Famous pirates – Blackbeard

S.T.E.M.
Science
Technology
Engineering
Maths



Marshmallow
Aliens



Teddy Spacesuits



Solar System
Research

CREATIVE SUBJECTS



Music – Listen and respond to music, sing songs, play percussion instruments and compose sound stories.



Art activities are taught through TWAU and PDMU topics.



Drama is taught through Literacy and I.C.T. Pupils grow in confidence by performing in front of their peers.





Observational drawings of autumn leaves and pinecones.



Bubble wrap printing to create spring flowers

ASSESSMENT

Term One

- Reading Running Record in September.
- P3 CAT4 Standardised Test
- Phonics and spellings assessments in December

Term Two

- Mid year class assessments (Numeracy and Comprehension)
- Reading Running Record in January
- Phonics and spellings assessments in March

Term Three

- End of year class assessments (Numeracy and Comprehension)
- P4 - Standardised tests PTE and PTM in May
- Reading Running Record in June
- Phonics, Spellings and Mental Maths assessments in June

Informal assessment tasks and tests will be continuous throughout the year.

HOMWORK TIMETABLE

Monday	Written Literacy/Numeracy homework Reading Spellings Learn Mental Maths facts
Tuesday	Written Literacy/Numeracy homework Reading Spellings Learn Mental Maths facts
Wednesday	Written Literacy/Numeracy homework Reading Spellings Learn Mental Maths facts
Thursday	Spellings Mental Maths facts
Friday	Correct mistakes in the Friday Assessment Book.

All content has been covered in class. P3 homework should take 20 – 30 minutes to complete. P4 homework should take 30-40 minutes per night.

Reading, spellings and learning maths facts are the most important elements of homework.

HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

- **Water bottles** Pupils have access to them all day.

- **Healthy Break Policy**

- **Healthy lunchboxes**



- **P.E.** - Twice per week

- **PDMU Topics** – Getting to Know Me, Families!

Pantasaurus – NSPCC

Developing positive attitudes to learning

Children's Mental Health Week

Anti- Bullying Week





- Just2easy is a digital tool suite that combines creation tools and games-based learning, celebrates through sharing and builds pupils' digital literacy skills.
- Parents can connect via Parent Portal to communicate with class teachers and view their child's digital learning journal.
- Please provide your email address today, you will receive an email invitation to register for an account and link to your child's Just2easy account.
- **What will we use Just2easy for?**
 - Digital learning journal
 - Basic communication between parents/teachers(Written notes are still required following absences etc.)

Just2easy has many other tools that we may use in the future, but we will begin with these features.



CHILD PROTECTION AND SAFEGUARDING TEAM



Principal and Designated Teacher:

Deputy Designated Teacher:

Chair of Board of Governors:

Designated Governor for CP:

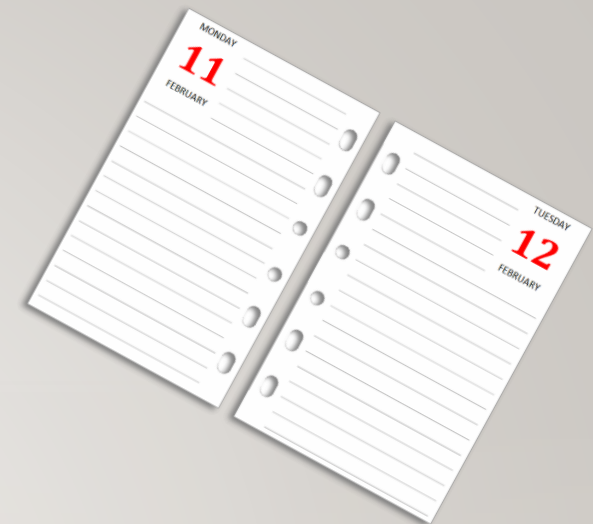
Mrs Ferguson

Mrs McLean

Rev S Simpson

Dr. M Gawn

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



- 12th September School Photographs
- 25th September McMillan Coffee Afternoon
- 27th September School Development Day
- 15th October Harvest Assembly
- 23rd October Parent Consultations
- 24th October Parent Consultations
- 28th October Mid – Term Holiday Week
- 10th December Provisional Christmas Concert Date

Thank you for attending and I
look forward to a positive year
ahead.

