



Primary 1 Term 1



We have had a great start to the school year so far, meeting new friends and getting to know each other a little better and learning our new routines. Our newsletters each term will give you an idea of what we will be covering in class throughout the term and suggestions for things you can be doing at home if you wish.

Literacy & French

For phonics this term, we will be introducing one of the following sounds s, a, t, i, p and n, alongside one tricky or common word each week. Our sounds and words will be posted on our Teams page each week. We will be able to say our sound, hear and find it in words and use the correct formation when writing. In reading, we will enjoy exploring songs and rhymes, retelling stories and talking about our favourite parts. In writing, we will be focusing on writing to convey information, which we will be linking to our topic this term.

In French with Miss Murray, we will be learning some simple greetings, please and thank you and counting from 0 to 5.

How to support at home:

- Practise new sounds at home each week – can you write it in different ways(sand, paint, chalk etc), find it in words/books?
- Practice reading and spelling the common words which will be added to our Teams page each week.
- Read books and listen for rhyming words, can you make up your own rhyming words?

Numeracy & Maths

In numeracy this term, we will begin working with numbers within 10. This will include recognising, forming, counting, ordering and sequencing numbers from 0 to 10.

We will also be working on patterns. This will include copying, continuing and creating our own patterns using colours, shapes and numbers. We will also be able to describe patterns using the language before, after, next.

How to support at home:

- Look for numbers around your home or when you're out and about.
- Practise counting out different amounts using toys, dried pasta or socks.
- Hide numbers around the house and go on a treasure hunt.
- Use toys to make patterns.

Health & Wellbeing

We will spend time this term settling into our environment and building positive relationships with both staff and pupils. We will look at discussing, expressing and managing our feelings, and who we can go to for help and support both in and out of school. To do this we will use a range of play activities, stories and circle time games.

Our PE will be on Friday mornings with Mrs Keith. Children should come to school dressed in their PE kit. Weather permitting, we will be outdoors for PE and daily mile. Please ensure children come dressed/equipped for our very changeable weather!

In PE we will be focusing on using and sharing space safely and listening to and responding to instructions.

We will also look at different ways of travelling and explore a variety of creative shapes and balances.

How to support at home:

- Name feelings and discuss what/who/why we might feel that way.

Topic

Our topic this term will be Transport. This will focus on how and why we make journeys now and in the past. After speaking with the children this week, they would like to learn about how different animals are transported and where and how they could travel with a passport. They would also like to be able to build, model and draw their own types of transport.

How to support at home:

- If you have any books, resources or information that you think may be useful or that your child has shown an interest in, please get in touch via email.

Microsoft Teams

Your child has been given a unique login and password to access Glow which will allow them to access our Primary 1 class Team. Information on how to access this has been sent out via email. Our team will be used to share some photos and information about the activities taking place in our class each week. If you have any difficulties accessing our Team, please get in touch.

General Information

- Children should come in with a labelled water bottle for use in class, which is to be filled with water only.
- It may be useful to include a spare change of clothes in your child's bag.
- Please ensure all clothing and belongings are labelled with your child's name, especially cardigans, jumpers and jackets.
- Each Thursday afternoon we will have an outdoor learning session which will take place in most weather. Please ensure children are dressed appropriately for the weather with a change of clothes/shoes in their bag.

- Mrs Simpson will be in class Monday to Thursday and Mrs Keith will be in class on a Friday. If you have any queries, don't hesitate to get in touch. Mrs Simpson (Mon-Thurs) gw09simpsonlisa01@glow.sch.uk and Mrs Keith (Fri) gw08keithlaura@glow.sch.uk