



We hope you all had a marvellous summer, and are ready for an exciting year ahead!



Learning and teaching is designed around the eight curricular areas of the *Curriculum for Excellence*. This term, our foci include...



In Primary 1, we use an activity based learning approach to both literacy and numeracy to try to ensure a seamless transition between nursery and Primary 1.

Literacy and English

This term, P1 are using Jolly Phonics to learn letter sounds, actions and songs. They will also be working on the correct formation of the letter sounds and will start to blend sounds to make simple words – e.g. s-a-t, c-a-t.

Pupils will also work on their talking and listening skills by sharing their ideas, feelings and experiences.

Numeracy and mathematics

P1 will be learning about numbers and will take part in activities to create and continue simple patterns. They will also learn about 2D shapes and the months of the year and days of the week. They will also discover different ways to present information such as within pictograms.

Expressive arts

P1 will create art work linked to our topic – Mini-Beasts. They will use different materials during activities such as collage and create their own mini-beasts.

Science

P1 will be learning about different mini-beasts, their habitats and what they eat. We will hopefully be getting some special mini-beast visitors in our classes.

As part of this topic we will also be visiting the Children's Woods, where Andrea from Forest Schools will help us to learn about and find insects in the wood.

Health and wellbeing

P1 will take part in weekly PAtHS sessions (*Promoting Alternative Thinking Strategies*), to promote great behavior.

We will learn about Children's Rights and make our own Classroom Charter.

During PE, the class will focus on movement and games. They will learn to move across the room using different body parts and will have an awareness of space.

PE days will be Tuesday and Friday. Please remember to pack gym kits and water bottles. *Please note:* As per Glasgow City Council policy, football strips, from **any** team, must not be worn at school. The wearing of jewellery should also be avoided.

Religious and moral education

P1 will learn about our school values through Circle Time, stories and other activities. Assemblies held by our HT and DHTs throughout the year address many aspects of cultural and religious significance.

Technologies

This term, P1 will have the opportunity to take photos of each other in order to build on their camera skills. This will be linked to activities during our class topic. They will also learn to identify parts of a computer and will use their coordination to navigate a mouse. We will be using the ICT suite with our buddies.

Homework

- *Jolly Phonics* sounds – actions/songs and letter formation
- Number work – number recognition and correct formation of numbers 1- 8
- *Oxford Reading Tree*: words to learn

w/b 1st October: Health Week

Fri 12th Oct: Inservice Day (school closed to pupils)

Mon 15th – Fri 19th Oct: Holiday

Mon 22nd Oct: Start of Term 2



Dates for your diary:

w/b 10th September: Sumdog Maths Week

w/b 10th September: Global Citizenship Week

Fri 21st Sept / Mon 24th Sept: Holiday Weekend