

Primary 2/3 2017-2018



Hello, I am Miss Glass and I am delighted to be your child's class teacher this year. I hope that your child has settled in well and that they are enjoying life in Primary 2/3! We will hopefully have a great, exciting year together!

If you have any queries or wish to discuss anything with me, please feel free to get in touch. You can leave a note in your child's home learning diary, or alternatively I am available most days afterschool for an informal chat.

Miss L. Glass

Literacy

Writing - We will be following the North Lanark Active Literacy guidelines to ensure that all pupils have a chance to write in a variety of different ways. Pupils will have the opportunity to write every day in class for example, in news jotters, handwriting and IDL. In addition, on a Wednesday they will take part in a 'Big Writing' session where they will aim to produce an extended piece of work. This will allow them to explore writing in different genres.

Reading - All pupils will read books appropriate to their level on a weekly basis, covering two books per week. Pupils will complete comprehension tasks from their books within the classroom.

Spelling/Phonics - We adhere to the North Lanark Active Literacy guidelines when teaching phonics and spelling. This involves pupils participating in phonics and spelling activities 4 days per week with additional homework set to support this learning. At the start of term we will be spending some time consolidating some of the phonemes taught last year before moving onto new phonemes.

Mathematics

Pupils will begin this term exploring addition and subtraction. We will cover all aspects of maths throughout the year. Pupils will get the opportunity to participate in daily mental maths to improve speed and accuracy through Number Talks and Big Maths CLIC sessions. During Number Talks, pupils will learn different strategies to find answers to calculations. They will then communicate their thinking by presenting and justifying solutions to their peers. Big Maths daily CLIC sessions develop pupils' numeracy skills through a progressive programme of: C - Counting, L - Learn Its, I - Its Nothing New and C - Calculations. Pupils will be given some 'Learn It's' to practise quick recall of calculations at home.



Interdisciplinary Learning

Primary 2 pupils will get the opportunity to work as a class and also across their stage with the P2s from Miss Wylie' class. The p3's will work collaboratively on topics with the p3's from Mr Haniford's class. Our main topics this year

will include a SHANARRI based topic, Sound, Robert Burns, Climates and Water. We will also undertake a literacy focused book study of BFG, take part in finance fortnight and an expressive arts focus week. The p2's will also be involved in the Nativity.



Health and Wellbeing

Pupils have two PE sessions per week, **Monday** and a **Thursday**. Pupils can store their PE kits in class to ensure that they have their kit available and it can be taken home each term to be washed. In class and as part of the Assembly programme children explore different aspects of social and emotional health through Creating Confident Kids. There is also a constant focus on team work and positive relationships in class.

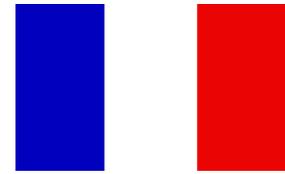


Homework

Struthers Homework Policy outlines that homework given out on a Monday is due back Wednesday, Tuesday is due back Thursday, Wednesday is due back Friday and if some is given out on a Thursday it is due back the following Thursday. I will issue a homework overview on a Monday, this will normally include a maths task, a spelling task and two reading books per week. On occasion there will be a project for our topics but plenty of notice will be given for this.

Pupils should return homework on a Thursday. If this is a problem, please speak to me and we can discuss alternative arrangements.

French



Pupils will be developing their language skills by learning new words and phrases in French. Songs and games will be played with Camembear to reinforce their learning.

