

Primary 45 Newsletter October - December 2024

Welcome back to Term 2, we hope everyone enjoyed their October holiday and everyone is ready for a busy term. Please have a read of this newsletter and get in touch if you have any questions or concerns. Mrs Boyd & Mrs Little



Communication

All homework will continue to be sent home on a Tuesday to be returned on the following Monday. If you wish to contact us please phone the school and we will phone back as soon as we can or send us an email. Our email addresses are -

Mrs Boyd - <u>gw09hunterkirsty3@glow.sch.uk</u> Mrs Little - <u>gw16littlenatalie@glow.sch.uk</u>





P4 Expectations

Your child should come to school each day ready to learn. They will need

- a full water bottle
- indoor shoes
- PE kit, which should be brought in on a Wednesday and worn to school on a Thursday. Pupils will get changed into their uniform after PE on a Thursday.
- a waterproof jacket.

Wider Achievements

We are always keen to hear about your child's wider achievements outside of school. Please encourage them to share these with us and bring in any evidence of these which we could use their new Wider Achievement record. If your child would like to create a Wider Achievement certificate, which will be shared at the school assembly, please email Mrs Little or Mrs Boyd for a template.

Other Curricular Areas

Within Digital Literacy we will be will be practising sending emails and how to use digital technology to communicate with others and developing an awareness of ways to keep safe and secure.

In IDL we will be having a RME focus. We will be exploring stories from Christianity and world religions and looking at their key beliefs and values. We will focus on how these values are put into practice in people's lives and how our own values might affect our actions.

In Music P4 will continue to work with Grant Dinwoodie as part of the RAMTAM programme. He visits the school on a Tuesday afternoon and focusses on singing, games and movement based activities while laying the foundations to learn about key aspects of music such as beat, rhythm, pitch and tempo. We will be sharing our learning with Grant towards the end of December when parents/carers will be invited into school. More details will follow nearer the time.

Literacy

During work in Literacy the children will continue to engage with group reading books and their familiar reading book. Please try to spend some time discussing the familiar book with your child, or practising their speed words or sounds if they have them. Through our shared text the children will explore different types of poetry. They will look at the poet's choice of language and the effect this has on the reader. Weekly spelling activities will continue and the children should continue to practise their lists, which will be sent home each week. In written work we will be looking at persuasive texts as well as creating our own poems based on our work in reading. In French, we will be revising the alphabet and learning how to read, say and spell our names in French.

Maths and Numeracy

This term we will continue to focus on our times tables and looking at the link between multiplication, division and fractions. We will continue to work on addition and subtraction strategies, with a focus on money, and the children will continue with weekly mental agility. We will continue to use Sumdog both at home and at school to aid our learning in Maths and Numeracy. We will also focus on symmetry, grid references and angles.

Health and Wellbeing (H&WB)

In PE we will be focussing on developing skills in gymnastics, dance and rebound games. Through our Wellbeing focus this term we will be learning how to seek and accept help positively. We will be learning about advertising and how food companies can influence consumers. We will also touch on some basic first aid in line with our wellbeing focus.









Homework



Homework Schedule Term 2

Homework will be issued on a Tuesday

29.10.24 - 4.11.24	Spelling, Reading
5.11.24 - 11.11.24	Spelling, Reading, Sumdog
12.11.24 - 18.11.24	Spelling, Reading
19.11.24 - 25.11.24	Spelling, Reading, Maths/Numeracy task
26.11.24 - 2.12.24	Spelling, Reading
3.12.24 - 9.12.24	Spelling, Reading, Sumdog
10.12.24 - 16.12.24	Spelling, Reading



Extra Information

- If your child wishes to play on the grass pitch the must bring in 'pitch' trousers. These can be water proof trousers or an old pair of tracksuit bottoms that can be worn on top of their school uniform
- Library visit P4S will visit Lochthorn library on Thursday 7th of November
- Children in Need Friday 15th November non uniform day with a cost of £2
- PPT Talk Time week beginning 18th November
- Parent Council Meeting Tuesday 26th November, 6.30pm Heathhall School
- Dress Down for the Christmas Raffle Appeal Friday 29th November
- Christmas Lunch /Christmas Wear What You Want Wednesday 11th December £1 (all proceeds going to the ipad appeal) donation
- End of term dress down Christmas Day no charge Friday 20th December

Children in Need

Please get in touch if you have any questions

