



P5 Class Newsletter – Term 2



Dear Parents, this newsletter will remind you of changes and important notes / dates as we begin term 2.

P5 have settled back into the new term well and continue to work hard in their learning. However, if you have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me via email (gw09andersongillian6@glow.sch.uk) or phone the school office and I'll get back to you. Thank you – G. Anderson.

Numeracy this Term

In Numeracy we will be working on strategies to solve multiplication and division problems. It is vital that pupils are fluent in their times tables to assist with this. I would encourage pupils to practise these at home to ensure fluency and accuracy. We are going to be looking at 2D and 3D shapes before developing knowledge and understanding of types of angles and using a protractor to measure and draw these accurately. Following that we will look at fractions and percentages. In mental maths we will be working on 'Numbertalks', mental agility and Sumdog. Mental agility covers all aspects of maths & numeracy.

Literacy this Term

We will continue to use Accelerated Reader in class to read for enjoyment and with understanding. In reading we will be improving our reading for information skills through guided reading texts in class. Comprehension of texts using different strategies will be a focus.

In writing we are going to begin looking at procedure text types and using our learning on previous text types to help with this.

Our grammar this term will focus on speech marks and using these correctly before moving onto the subject and object in a sentence and then distinguishing the difference between a sentence and a phrase.

New spelling lists will be given out on a Tuesday and should be learned throughout the week, both at home and at school.

This term we will continue our learning in French, learning and using vocabulary linked with 'All about Me.'

HWB in Term 2

P.E. will be delivered by Mr Sharp this term on a Monday afternoon and Wednesday morning. In class our HWB learning this term will have a focus on 'The Food Experience' - tasting, selecting and evaluating the social context as well as Religious and cultural influences. Our well-being focus this term is 'Safe' looking at assessing and managing risks including the use of Digital Technologies.

IDL

Our IDL this term is Christianity with a focus on beliefs, significant figures, major life events, worship and artefacts. We will also study Our Solar System and Space linked with our visit to **Glasgow Science Centre on Thursday 20th November.**

P5 and P6 pupils across all classes will also be embarking on the Christmas show this term – look out for more details soon!

PITCH Trousers & A Wee Reminder

As we are utilising the pitch every day, weather permitting – appropriate clothing and footwear for playtime and lunchtime is more important than ever. Some pupils are coming in from their playtime damp and muddy and staying like this for the rest of the day. Pupils **MUST** bring in a pair of spare trousers/joggers to put on (on top of their school trousers) if they wish to go on the pitch/grassy areas. These can be kept in class and be sent home for a wash as needed. A spare pair of socks is also a good idea as pupils can also get wet, muddy feet. **All** children **MUST** also have a pair of indoor shoes to change into when back in class.

Finally - Please make sure your child comes to school with a warm and water-proof jacket **every day**.

Homework Reminders

Homework will be assigned to you via our P5 Team (which I have added all P5 pupils to) on a Tuesday every week. Each child can access Microsoft Teams via their Glow account. Please let me know if you are having technical problems when accessing Teams.

Spelling will be given **each** week (with a test on a Monday). Pupils will also receive numeracy and reading tasks.

The homework routine/rota will be as follows –

Week One – Sumdog

Week Two – Reading activity

Week Three – Numeracy/Maths activity

Week Four – Reading activity

Homework will be due by the Monday of the following week.

Learning and Teaching

As per last term, I will deliver all classroom learning, with the help of Mr. Sharp for PE on a Monday afternoon and Wednesday morning.

PE Reminders

Pupils should come to school on a **Monday** with their PE kit in their bag to change into before lunchtime. Pupils will come home in their PE kit that day. On a Wednesday pupils should come to school in their PE kit with their school uniform to change into afterwards. This should consist of a change of bottoms and top. Long hair should be tied back.

Dates for your Diary

- * **Friday 14th November** - Children In Need – more info. to follow on class Teams page.
- * **Thursday 20th November** – P5 class visit to Glasgow Science Centre. 8.15am start, 4.15pm return.
- * **Thursday 27th November** – P5 class visit to Lochthorn Library
- * **Friday 28th November** - Dress Down Day for the Christmas Hamper Donations
- * **Tuesday 16th December** - 1.45pm to 2.45pm - Christmas Performance
- * **Wednesday 17th December** - Christmas Themed Dress Down Day - £1 donation & School Christmas Lunch
- * **Wednesday 17th December** – 6-7pm - Christmas Performance (evening)
- * **Friday 19th December** – dress down day (no charge)
- * **Friday 19th December** – 11- 12.10pm – P5 Christmas Party (more details to follow on class Teams page).

School Lunches

Please order school lunches in advance using the following links. Your child should know what has been ordered for them each day.

We would also like you to mark on if your child is having a packed lunch as this saves us time in the morning double-checking that everyone has something to eat!

[Pre-order school lunches here](#)