

What will we be learning this term?

An important focus for term 2 will be developing independence throughout the school day and during our learning and play. We will be discussing the skills we use at school and home and continue to learn about our rights. We are looking forward to spending an increased amount of time with other members of our school family and building links with our local community.

Literacy

P1- Hearing and saying the sounds made by different letters * Using sounds to read and write words * Letter formation * Writing a description * Writing a recount of events * Giving and following instructions * Using finger spaces and full stops * Building sentences * Speaking in front of the class to share information *

P2 – Using capital letters and punctuation in writing * Using descriptive language and the 7 perspectives * Phonic sounds in reading and writing * Comprehension of texts including individual reading books * Letter writing * Writing a recount * Instruction writing * Handwriting.

In French we will be learning numbers to 20, colours and weather vocabulary.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Our topic this term will be celebrations.

We will be learning to research and compare the main ideas of stories in the Bible and other world religions, We will consider the Right to follow a religion and the importance of understanding the beliefs and values of others.

The Christmas story will be a focus on the run up to the December holidays.

Children will continue to lead the focus of our IDL topics and record their learning in our Big Book.

We love loose parts!

In P1/2 we love to play and learn with loose parts. If you have any objects we could use to count, build or play please get in touch.

Some examples of loose parts are-

- tubes & pipes
 - crates & boxes
 - logs & shells
 - kitchen items
- and many more

Numeracy

When learning maths and numeracy we apply our learning and knowledge to real life situations, hands on activities, play, written tasks and discussions.

P1- *Identifying, sequencing and ordering numbers * Identifying the number before/after and missing numbers *Counting forwards and backwards * Addition and subtraction * Symmetry * Estimation and checking estimates.

P2- Sequencing numbers forwards and backwards to 100 * Partitioning numbers within 100 * Addition and subtraction * Skip counting and number patterns * Doubles and halves *Number bonds to 20 * Odd and even. numbers.

Health and Wellbeing

Asking for help * My safe adults * Contacting the emergency services * Accessing relevant information * My Skills and how I use them* Staying safe on Bonfire Night and when crossing the road * Friendships and relationships * P1 Tooth brushing * Taking care of a baby.

Expressive Arts

Art –Defined line and shape * Using materials and tools * Following a design brief.

Drama & Music – Performing to an audience * Being part of an audience * Character development * Using a script and props * Playing instruments * Giving an opinion.

Technologies

Programming the robot mice * Logging in to the computers * Opening and closing windows and documents * Putting our names on our work *Using Kiddle to search for information * Printing documents * Hardware & software * Typing for writing * Using Scratch to code.

P1/2 Newsletter

Term two



PE

Our PE days are Tuesday and Friday. Please send your child to school dressed in their PE kit on these days.

On PE days your child can come to school wearing their trainers. The children will remain in their kits for the whole day.

Food and Drink

Please ensure lunch orders are placed online each week. If your child is having a packed lunch, please indicate this to the kitchen staff using the same forms.

Please support us by filling bottles with water only. Juice can be brought for snack and lunch. We are a nut free school, please check ingredients in snacks, particularly breakfast/cereal bars.

Homework

Weekly homework will be put in your child's homework folder. Tasks will vary by individual, but some children will have reading books and spelling or speed words. Please read the homework leaflet for more information. The most valuable aspect of homework is the time spent with your child. Please ensure you check the homework folder every day.

Folders, jotters and sound tubs should come to school every day. We use them regularly in class and children are building independence in using the resources and ensuring they are organised

Winter Clothing

Please ensure that all items belonging to your child are clearly labelled. This includes shoes.

As the weather turns colder, please consider sending your child with multiple layers, all children should bring a waterproof coat to school. Waterproof clothes and pitch trousers can be sent for wet play and pitch times.

Children will not be allowed to play on the grass without pitch trousers. Please send plenty of spare socks as we run out quickly on wet weather days.

Library Trip

Our next visit to the library will take place on the 20th of November. Please ensure all books are returned to the school by then.

Important Dates!

November

11th – Remembrance Day

14th – Children in Need

20th – Library Trip

28th – Dress Down for Christmas Raffle Appeal

December

17th – Christmas Dress Down Day £1

Christmas Lunch

19th – Christmas Party

Communication

Please keep an eye on our Dojo page for whole class updates. The messaging facility will not be used as a way of communicating between school and home. If you would like to speak to Mrs Copeland please see her at the end of the day. Alternatively, she can be contacted at gwl9hewbycopelandlau@glow.sch.uk

If your child is going to be absent from school or has an appointment during school hours, please contact the school office directly.

Mrs Woods will teach P1/2 on Wednesday afternoon each week.



Mrs Copeland & P1/2