



Lawhead Primary School – Homework Challenges



Term 3: January – April 2026

Class: P1/2

Teacher: Miss Morrow and Miss Hippisley

Ethos and Life of the School as a Community	Annual Scots Poetry Competition - January Class teachers will support pupils to select a Scottish poem of suitable length and difficulty. Pupils will receive a copy of their selected poem to take home and practice during the first week of term. Pupils will also be supported to practice and understand their poem in class. If any pupil is nervous about performing to an audience they can record themselves and share a video/audio file or can perform to their class teacher only or to a smaller group.	The St Andrews Burns Society will be visiting school on Monday 26th January to judge finalists. Before this date class teachers will listen to pupils reciting poems and identify finalists for any pupil wishing to go forward to judging by the Burns Society.
	Our Wider School Community: How can we help and be a bigger part of our wider school community? You could do a family litter pick in the Lade Braes or at the beach? You could support a local charity? As a school we want to strengthen the links with our wider community around St Andrews. If you have taken part in a community activity please take a photo or share this news with Mrs. Bain. If you have ideas on how to make new connections with our community you can write Mrs. Bain a letter or send her a voice note or video explaining your ideas.	All photos, letters, voice notes or video recordings should be emailed to Mrs. Bain using lawheadps.headteacher@fife.gov.uk All ideas will be considered by the pupil council and could form part of our Rights Respecting School action plan.
Curriculum Areas and Subjects	Literacy – Phonics/Spelling: Our school website contains information on the phonics/spelling progression we follow at Lawhead. During term 3 we will be focusing on the following sounds/spelling patterns in class: We will continue to follow the same process for our Phonics as we followed in Term 1 and 2. Each week we will learn 2 new letter sounds in class. The focus for phonics learning will be on the sound letter rather than its name. Children are encouraged to explore letters and sounds in their everyday environment, in ways that are appropriate to their stage of learning—for example, spotting familiar letters in shop signs, labels, or books. Primary 1:	Follow this link to the phonics/spelling section of the school website - Spelling Class teachers will send home phonics/word lists to practice. These will be inserted into your child's reading diary/in their reading folder.

w/b	Letter Sounds
05.01	Revision of sounds taught in Term 1 and 2
12.01	y/z we, me
19.01	zz/z as s be, was
26.01	qu/v her, they
02.02	Consolidate w/x her, they
09.02	Consolidate y/z/zz all, are
16.02	ch/sh he/she
23.02	th/ng we, me
02.03	ai/ee be, was
09.03	igh, oa my, you
16.03	oo her, they
23.03	Consolidation of ch/sh/th all, are
30.03	Assessment of learning

Primary 2

Children will continue to work on phonics which are appropriate to their learning. Phonic groups will receive specific sounds to practise - please check reading folders for these.

Mental Maths:

Our school website contains information on the mental maths progression we follow at Lawhead.

Access the planner for P1/2 and practice the skills for term 3. Pupils who feel less confident may want to master the skills for earlier levels and those who want to challenge themselves can access the planners for the stage above.

Maths: Look for patterns around you- in nature and in man –made objects.

Early Level Extension – Create your own shape or colour patterns using 2/3/4 colours or shapes.
First Level Extension—Look out for odd and even numbers. Can you find any number patterns?

Follow this link to the mental maths section of the school website - [Mental Maths](#)

A paper copy of the mental maths planner can be printed and provided on request by asking the class teacher.

Photograph, copy or list some of the patterns you have seen in your homework jotter.

Draw and colour, the patterns which you have made. or the odd and even numbers which you have found in your homework jotter.

Patterns can also be emailed to gw21morrowjill@glow.sch.uk

Interdisciplinary Learning	<p>Pretend you have a friend or relative coming to visit you in Scotland for the first time. What would you show/tell them about in St.Andrews or in other parts of Scotland? (Links with Topic work in January.)</p>	<p>Photograph/draw/make a list/collect leaflets... which can be brought into school, stuck into your Homework book or emailed to gw21morrowjill@glow.sch.uk</p>
	<p>Design and make a castle out of a material of your choice. Who do you think lived/will live in it? (Links with Topic work in February and March.)</p>	<p>Models can be brought into school.</p>
Opportunities For Personal Achievement	<p>Celebrating Success – Weekly Assemblies:</p> <p>Every week at assembly we have a section called 'Celebrating Success'. Success and achievements in and out of school are recognised and celebrated. We take photos of learners and add them to our achievement wall. If you have had a success or achievement outside of school please let Mrs. Simpson (P1-3) or Mrs. Bain (P3/4-7) know so that it can be included in the assembly. Success comes in lots of shapes and sizes – learning to swim or ride your bike, a medal or trophy, learning an instrument, a badge at cubs or brownies.</p>	<p>Medals, trophies or certificates can be brought in on assembly day to share (Thursdays) or parents/carers can also email information or a photo to Mrs. Bain or Mrs. Simpson using lawheadps.enquiries@fife.gov.uk</p>
	<p>Sumdog Maths Contests Terms 3:</p> <p>Login to your Sumdog account to take part in the following upcoming Sumdog contests. You can earn certificates and prizes as an individual or for your class and school.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Fife Maths Contest – 26th – 30th January ➤ Fife Maths Contest – 23rd – 27th March 	<p>Follow this link to login: https://www.sumdog.com/user/sign_in</p> <p>Class teachers can provide login information if required.</p>
Additional Suggestions to Support Learning at Home:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Practice the BSL signs and French phrases shared on the weekly newsletter • Complete weekly reading set by the class teacher • Read your library books from the school library • Login to your Sumdog account and play games to practice your mental maths, spelling and grammar • Visit the learning at home section of our school website for additional ideas - Learning At Home Lawhead Primary School and Nursery (glowscotland.org.uk) • Can you help an adult by cooking or preparing a snack or meal that might have been eaten by a King or Queen, or by laying a table fit for royalty? • Can you create and record your own musical masterpiece? • Topmarks: Differentiated shape games for children to engage with P1 Shape P2 Shape 	