

Class Newsletter

Primary 1 Term 4 2025-26

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! I can't believe we're in the last term of Primary 1. Where has the time gone? Lots of exciting things still to come.

In addition to several whole school newsletters each term, you will receive a newsletter each term written by your child's teacher/s which will keep you informed about the curriculum and plans for the term ahead. If at any time you can help with and resources related to planned learning or trips, please contact the teacher via the school office.

Literacy



Children in P1-P5 are working on the Read, Write Inc scheme. The children have undergone their second assessment of the year and have been grouped accordingly. This allows children to be taught the specific sounds they need to progress with their reading. For reading, your child will be using Oxford reading Tree books to support sight reading of tricky words. The reading skills we are focussing on as class are improving fluency through practising blending and answering open and closed questions to improve comprehension.

Primary 1 will begin using the CYPIC programme this term. This will allow children to become confident applying the tools for writing. As a class we will be learning about the recount and explanation genres and developing our skills, knowledge and ability to create these.

Children will be encouraged to read for pleasure and may bring books home from the class/school library. Please encourage your child to read at home.

Numeracy and Maths



This term, your child will be reinforcing their knowledge and understanding of number focusing on counting, subitizing, place value, as well as revisiting the four operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

In Maths, your child will be learning how to recognise, order and count money. We will also be learning how to use positional language and collect and present data in various ways.

Please encourage your child to practise (mental strategies for number) at home – this can be done through their Magma Maths login.

Inter-Disciplinary Learning (IDL/Topic)



This term our IDL focus is our Biodiversity topic. We will be developing our knowledge of how to grow a plant and the lifecycles of butterflies and frogs. We will have a 'butterfly garden' in class to observe the process from larvae to butterfly and we will visit the pond at the allotment to observe the tadpoles.

Health and Wellbeing



Our PE days are: Thursday and Friday. Please make sure your child has suitable shoes and comfortable P.E. kit. We will be focusing on basketball and Sports Day games.

Your child will continue developing their mental, social and emotional wellbeing using the Emotions Work Programme. We will also be exploring our bodies, friendships, privacy, how to look after plants and how to look after a baby through our RSHP topic (Relationships, Sexual Health and Parenthood).



Lost Property: We have a huge amount of lost property, please speak to your child about taking care of their belongings, especially jumpers and jackets. **Please ensure all clothing is labelled with their name.** Reminder, children should bring a warm, waterproof jacket each day as they go out to play in all weathers.

Homework: At Ibrox Primary school, we encourage using homework as a chance for children to develop key skills such as independence in learning and time management/ organisation.

In Primary 1, your child will receive a numeracy task, literacy tasks (worksheet and spelling words) linked with the previous weeks learning and reading. Homework shouldn't take longer than 15 minutes per night. If your child is finding it too difficult, please let me know.

Homework is given out on a Monday. Please return on a Friday.

Holidays

School will be closed for pupils on-

- ✓ Monday 4th May
- ✓ Thursday 7th May (staff inset day)
- ✓ Friday 22nd May
- ✓ Monday 25th May
- ✓ Monday 15th June

School closes for Summer on Thursday 25th June at 1:30pm. A separate letter with key dates for this term will be issued as there is lots on!



Rights Respecting School: As a **Gold** Award Rights Respecting school we have a monthly whole school focus on a different article from the United Nations Convention of the Rights of the Child (UNCRC)

The focus articles for this term are:



<https://www.unicef.org/child-rights-convention>



Reporting:



Reports will be emailed out by Tuesday 2nd June.

Our final Progress Meetings of this session are on Wednesday 3rd June.

Nearer the time we will email a link to book appointments online.

Attendance: Regular attendance means that your child can take part in every educational opportunity and progress with their learning. We recognise that absence can be due to a variety of reasons, please contact the school to let us know the reason if your child is unable to attend. If they are unwell, you can also contact the **GCC absence line** on **0141-471-3710** or **0141-287-0039**. **Gates:** Reminder The gate on Hinshelwood Place will be locked at 9.15am and opened at 2.45pm. The gate on Hinshelwood Drive will be locked at 9.45am and remain locked until 2.45pm apart from when nursery children are arriving and leaving.

Class Events

- ✓ Briarlands Farm, Wednesday 3rd June
- ✓ Commonwealth Showcase- Friday 5th June

We are always happy to help, if you have any queries please don't hesitate to get in touch via the school office.

Thank you as always for your continued support of our school and your children's learning,

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Hanks

