

Primary 1 Curriculum Flyer

Returning to school

We will be working hard in the coming weeks to ensure pupils feel safe and happy on their first step in their Struthers journey. Our aim is to get to know the children, help them settle into the school environment and support them to know our rules and routines. Set out in this flyer is a plan for the first term although this will be subject to changes as we respond to our learners and their needs.



Learning @ Home

Homework will begin on the 28th of August for Primary 1. The first week will be quite light and reading books will begin the following week.

Our motto is "Little, but often" - it is best to do small amounts regularly to keep your child interested and engaged. Homework will be issued in the form of a homework sheet that outlines the activities and will be accompanied by their reading book, common word flashcards and any paper copies of activities if needed.

Your child will bring home 1 book per week. We ask that you please ensure that your child brings their book back to school with them every day. Children will read their book in class most days and are to be returned on the Friday so these books can be used by another group of children.

Health and Wellbeing



As a school, we will be adopting a whole school approach to Nurture. This will focus on settling pupils into rules and routines and providing necessary support for pupils as they start school. We also plan to cover different topics such as Road Safety, People Who Help Us, Emotions and Relationships (Zones of Regulations).

PE – Mrs Love will be delivering one PE lesson and class teachers will be delivering the other lesson. We ask that your child brings in a PE kit in a small drawstring bag that can be left in school.

P1B and P1K both have gym on the same days – Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs Bloomer

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Mr Kerr

Term 1



Numeracy & Maths



During Term 1 we are planning to cover:

- Number Recognition, Formation and Counting
- Ordering numbers from 0-20
- Dot patterns
- Introduction to Addition

We will be utilising both the classroom and outdoor spaces to support and extend learning.

We will also be planning for daily mental maths, improving speed and accuracy. We use a combination of Big Maths, Number Talks and Maths Mastery approaches to deliver mental maths lessons.

Literacy



Reading – In Primary One the literacy programme we use is North Lanarkshire Active Literacy. All pupils will read books appropriate to their level on a weekly basis, covering 1 reading book and 1 whole class book. Pupils will complete further comprehension tasks from their books within the classroom. Reading books will start week beginning 4th September.

Phonics – Our Phonics programme will start alongside reading books being sent home. We learn our first letter sound on a Monday, consolidate this sound on a Tuesday, learn our second letter sound on a Thursday and consolidate this sound on a Friday. We teach the sounds through songs, rhymes and active games. We are sure you will find yourself singing some Jolly Phonics classics in the shower soon enough!

Writing – Our Big Writing day is on a Wednesday. During this session, the children will be supported to mark make, add detail to their pictures and re-tell what they have written to a peer or an adult. Shortly our pupils will learn to share their story using their own words to a teacher who will 'write what they say' and will write over our writing. This will later progress onto writing under the teacher's writing and then copying from a whiteboard and finally, sounding out words on

Interdisciplinary Learning (Topic)

Here are some other topics we will experience this term:

- Collection of Traditional Tales
- Road Safety
- Day and Night

As part of our play based learning we will be very flexible and responsive to the pupils' ideas and interests. For example this week so far we have roleplayed as pirates, made treasure maps and dug for gold!

Opportunities for Personal Achievement

It is important for pupils to feel proud of their achievements. At Struthers we celebrate achievements and share them on Twitter. Please follow @StruthersSchool

Donations

The Early Years classrooms are looking great after the renovations and are well resourced however to enhance our play further we are on the lookout for a wooden doll's house, miniature cars, Duplo, jigsaws and dressing up costumes.