

Calderwood Communicates: Primary 1 Termly Learning Letter Term 1 2023/24



We extend a very warm welcome to all parents and carers as we begin our first term at Calderwood. We are delighted that our learners are settling into school life so well and are excited to use our vibrant learning environment. We work within a play-based learning structure where children are exposed to a direct teaching input, followed by small group consolidation and COOL (choosing our own learning) time. We look forward to working in partnership with you over the course of this year and thank you for your continued support.

This is an overview of all learning experiences offered. These experiences may be differentiated to support and challenge each child.

English & Literacy

Listening and Talking

- Explore and play with the patterns and sounds of language
- Listen and talk in different situations

Writing

- Explore sounds, letters and letter formation
- Explore materials for writing and different ways of recording thinking

Reading

- Explore sounds and letters and how they work together
- Get to know each Letterland character, their sound and their action

One Plus Two

- French: greetings

Numeracy & Maths

Numeracy

- Explore numbers through concrete materials and ways to represent them
- Develop an understanding of the order of numbers, forwards and backwards

Maths

- Explore days of the week, months of the year and seasons
- Create a range of symmetrical pictures and patterns

Health and Wellbeing

- Explore and make choices to develop learning and interests
- Build positive relationship with others and follow routines

P.E

- Develop control of body and move it in different ways, both outdoors and indoors

Interdisciplinary Learning

Calderwood Creatures (Maths, Literacy and HWB)

Key questions the children want to explore:

- Why do spiders need so many legs?
- Why do some bugs have antennas?
- Why do bugs look different?

Discrete Learning

STEM – Changes in the environment

Other information

P.E. Days:

Ness: Thursday (indoors) and Wednesday (outdoors)

Linlithgow: Wednesday (outdoors) and Thursday (indoors)

Mull: Tuesday (indoors) and Thursday (outdoors)

Shetland: Wednesday (indoors) and Thursday (outdoors)

Orkney: Monday (outdoors) and Thursday (indoors)

Skye: Tuesday (indoors) and Thursday (outdoors)