

Literacy

Reading

In reading, we will develop our P4 – 7 comprehension strategies by working together on the novel, *Bill's New Frock*. We will then practise using the skills in our final novels; *Danny the Champion of the World*, *The Hodgeheg* and *The Invisible Boy*.

Through this we will be more skilled when working independently on reading tasks within our groups

We will also continue to use Reading Wise to develop our decoding and understanding of vocabulary.

Writing

In writing we will focus on creating fiction and non-fiction texts relating to our topic. This will include persuasive writing, combining fact and opinion, short stories, expository writing including recipes and place guides and descriptive writing from a personal point of view. Within these we will practice writing with

- A variety of sentence types and lengths for effect using exclamation and question marks
- Commas to structure a list and with positional sentence openers e.g In front of the ...
- Connectives including 'but', 'so' and 'because'
- Joined handwriting and an attractive layout
- Increasingly accurately spelling using our knowledge of phonics patterns and commonly used tricky words

Talking and Listening

Within the context of our topic, France, we will introduce and talk about ourselves in English and French. We will listen to texts and identify the main ideas. We will make notes and use these in follow up written tasks.

P4M Curricular Overview

April – June 2023

Health and Wellbeing:

Relationships, Sexual Health and Parenthood - We will follow the P4 Element of this programme and focus on similarity, diversity and respect. This includes keeping clean; safety online (with PC Tait-Logan) and, how human life begins, pregnancy and birth.

Safe Week- We will focus on Water safety, Outdoor Safety and Community Safety.

PE – In PE we will be preparing for Sports Day by practicing our Athletics skills. We will also be working on striking and field activities.

Our World – France

In this topic, we will be learning about France and will develop our French language skills. We will learn about the social, culture and geography of France and make comparisons to Scotland. We will do this through tasting food and by looking at cafe menus, by comparing the landscapes and the currency. We will also learn about famous Parisian landmarks, painters and paintings, and important French celebrations. We hope the class enjoy *their French Experience!*

We will read our class novel '*Libby and the Parisian Puzzle*' throughout the topic and will meet with the author virtually on Thursday 25th May.

MusicArtDrama

This term our MAD focus is Art. We will explore the work of different artists and explore different art techniques while learning about colour. We will explore colour mixing and be able to talk about primary and secondary colours. Also, we will mix and name warm, cool, and complementary colours.

Numeracy and Maths

Within Number we will:

- Use bar models to solve worded questions
- Solve questions which require two calculations
- Identify and continue number patterns
- Multiply and divide within the 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 10 x tables
- Extend our use of mathematical vocabulary and symbols
- Identify unit and non-unit fractions of shaded diagrams
- Locate fractions on a number line
- Pictorially identify equivalent fractions e.g., $\frac{2}{4} = \frac{3}{6}$
- Find unit fractions of quantities using our multiplication facts e.g., $\frac{1}{4}$ of 36.

Within Money, we will

- Make conversions between pounds and pence e.g., £1.49 = 149p
- Use coin and note combinations to pay for items and to calculate change to £10 and £20
- Calculate change mentally

Within Data and Analysis, we will

- Display data in Venn and Carroll diagrams
- Use diagrams and graphs to answer questions

Within Shape, we will

- Name and identify the features of 2D & 3D shapes
- Sort these within Venn and Carroll diagrams
- Create tiling patterns with 2 different 2D shapes.

Within Chance and Uncertainty, we will

- Use mathematical vocabulary to describe the likelihood of events occurring

I-Pads

We use our iPads every day in class and so it is important that they are brought into school fully charged.

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Reading for Enjoyment

We are continuing to read for enjoyment in class. Please continue to read with your child to help foster a love of reading.

Reading Wise

Please continue to support your child to use the website Reading Wise at home, 3 x 15 minutes, doing so at convenient times during the week. Certificates of achievement will be celebrated every Tuesday.

Spelling

It is important that your child practises their spelling words regularly, including at home. Vocabulary lists have been added to Showbie and to Spelling City.

How you can help at home

Please support your child to be ready for school:

- PE Kits are required every Tuesday and Thursday. PE is often outdoors this term so trainers and a jumper can be brought in.
- All clothing etc should be named.
- Provide a filled water bottle and a healthy snack (not sweets)

Showbie

Please look out for regular posts in the P4M Sharing folder.

Numeracy & Maths

Showbie

Within the Numeracy folder (blue in colour) there is an assignment named '*Basic Facts for practising at Home and School*'. This contains interactive games for practising number and maths skills which pupils can practise independently. These are mostly multilevel and your child should know which level to start at. If not, please get in touch: gw15mcteirfrances@glow.sch.uk

2D and 3D shape

Discuss regular and irregular 2D and 3D shapes within the built environment.

Time

Practising telling the time on analogue as well as digital clocks. Look at timetables.

Measure and Money

Discuss the maths and numeracy in everyday life. Include your child in activities involving numbers and measuring, such as shopping, cooking and travelling.

Sumdog

This website can be used at any time to practise numeracy and maths skills. This term we will work on a multiplication challenge.

Our next and final Scottish Borders Sumdog Competition starts on Friday 16th June and pupils can play at home.