P1/2 Newsletter

Welcome to P1/2 at Glenbervie School. We hope you all had a lovely summer break!

The children have had a fantastic first 2 weeks in P1/2 with the new P1’s settling in well to the day to day routines of school life. It has been lovely to see both the P1’s and P2’s coming to school looking very grown up and incredibly smart in their uniforms. We are very much looking forward to seeing them all thrive in P1 and P2. Our P7 pupils are doing a brilliant job of supporting their P1 buddy through this new experience.

We thought it would be helpful to share with you now some of our routines, ways of working and what we have planned for the term ahead.

Literacy

In primary 1 the main focus of our literacy work will be phonics. We will be following the progression of the ‘Active Literacy’ scheme in line with all Aberdeenshire schools. The children will be introduced to 2 new sounds and a short list of words each week.

Primary 2’s will begin by revising their initial sounds/ letter formation and will then move on to stage 2 of ‘Active Literacy’.

Reading will be sent home shortly with instructions and suggestions of ways to support your child at home.

Numeracy

Maths for P1’s will begin by looking at recognising, ordering, writing and counting numbers to 10.

P2’s will begin with some revision from last session before moving on to extend their learning.

Thematic

To help the new primary 1’s to settle in, our class will begin with a mini topic on ‘People who care for us at school’. This will lead on to our next mini topic of ‘People who care for us in the community’.

Pirates will also be a focus with lots of exciting activities planned to engage the children.

Equipment

Gym Kits - This term we plan to have gym on a Monday and a Thursday, however this can be subject to change so please ensure that your child has their gym kit with them every day in school. We recommend that gym kits come to school on a Monday morning and are taken home on a Friday to be washed.

Forest School – Please provide your child with suitable clothing for Forest School. For example, waterproofs, wellies, gloves, hat and a change of clothes. We plan to do Forest School on a Friday however again this can change from week to week.

Water Bottles – These can be brought to school on a Monday and remain in school until Friday when they will be sent home to be washed.

**Please ensure that all clothing/items your child brings to school are clearly labelled with their name and your child knows how to identify his/her own belongings.**

Lunch

If your child is going to be staying for a school lunch it would be helpful if you could let them know each day what the choices are before they arrive. Alternatively a packed lunch can be brought to school if your child prefers.

School Pick-Up

Can we please ask that when collecting your child from school you come all the way into the playground and do not stand behind the wall. This will allow staff members to ensure the safety of the children.

If your child is to be picked up from someone else please inform the school before the end of the day.

Homework

Please check your child’s homework diary on a daily basis for homework that has been assigned. These diaries can also be used for any non urgent messages you wish to pass on.

We look forward to working in partnership with you and would like to emphasise that if you have any questions/queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact us.

Regards,

Mrs G Cerretti and Mrs L McConnachie