



# Term 2 - P1



Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you enjoyed some quality family time over the October holidays. Please see below for details about your child's learning over Term 2. Thank you for all the help you are currently giving to support learning letter sounds and word building at home. It really does make a difference.

## Literacy and English

- Using Jolly Phonics to learn letter sounds
- Reading and spelling 3 letter words
- Learning to write letters in cursive script
- Learning to write our first name in cursive script
- Learning to read and write some tricky words e.g. was, saw, she, put, want.
- Reading and discussing Word Boost books - story books that help us develop our vocabulary
- Creative writing and detailed drawing
- Using drama to explore the writing process and understand story structure

## Numeracy

- Sequencing numerals 1-20+
- Learning numbers after/ before
- Learning the 'count on' strategy and adding with one collection hidden
- Making finger patterns
- Writing numerals and number sentences

## Maths

- **Measure (length)** - vocabulary (e.g. longer/shorter, taller/smaller), comparing and ordering objects, measuring pupil's height using hands
- **Positional Language** - up, down, left, right, forwards, backwards

## Learning Across the Curriculum

Children have opportunities to learn across the curriculum through play. They are photographed while playing and these pictures are discussed on then put into our learning log. We note down areas of interest, discuss next steps in learning and talk about the skills they are developing.

### Outdoor Learning

Outdoor learning sessions remain on a Wednesday.

### Health and Wellbeing

Weekly P1 assembly  
Firework Safety  
Scottish Book week 15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> Nov  
Road Safety focus

### Special events

Halloween Tricky Ricky Show - 4<sup>th</sup> Nov  
Diwali celebrations  
Christmas parties and fun activities

## Admin and other info

PE days are Fridays. It would be helpful if your child could wear comfortable clothing e.g. jogging bottoms and trainers.

Please ensure your child comes to school in appropriate clothing, including suitable footwear and a warm, waterproof jacket. Having a pair of wellies at school is helpful. It is also helpful if your child has a spare set of clothes in their bag (e.g. top, trousers, socks and pants). Thank you those who have already provided these.

Please provide a snack for you child to eat during morning break. One item is ideal and it should be easily located for your child to find in their bag.

If you have any questions or queries please email the school at [admin@balgreen.edin.sch.uk](mailto:admin@balgreen.edin.sch.uk)

Kind wishes, Miss Rhianna Coorey, Mrs Yvonne Gillies and Mrs Ellie Harris