

August 2025

St. Matthew's PS News

# Primary 1 Room 1

## What's happening in Room 1!



All of the children in Primary 1 Room 1 have settled so well into St. Matthew's school life. We are making lots of new friends and enjoying playing in our classroom, open area and playground. Well done to all the children for their efforts so far and thank you to all of their families for supporting this transition.

### Dates to remember:

Come to classroom day—  
Mon 25th Sept 2.15-3pm

Evening Times photograph—  
Mon 1st Sept

St. Matthew's Day— 21st  
Sept—we will celebrate on  
19th September.

Maths Week Scotland—  
Mon 22nd Sept— Thursday  
25th Sept

September weekend holi-  
day: Fri 26<sup>th</sup> and Monday  
28<sup>th</sup> Sept



### Literacy

Each week we will learn two new single sounds from the alphabet through stories and songs. We will practise the letter formation and identify words that begin with that sound. Any additional practise of this using the Seesaw activities at home will be greatly appreciated. We will focus on three new common words each week. In the classroom we have a common word wall and we use the magnetic boards to help us build the words, blend them together and then write them. This term we will be focusing on our fine motor skills through lots of play activities and writing tasks. In Primary 1 a new reading book will be introduced each week. Throughout the week we walk through the book, find sounds and words we recognise, identify the tricky words, investigate the illustrations and make links to our own personal experiences. Every Friday afternoon we enjoy reading stories together. If any of our family members would like to come

and read a story to our class we would absolutely love it. Please get in touch with Mrs Santi to arrange.

### Numeracy

This term in Primary 1 we will be working mainly with numbers to ten. We place a big focus on the concept of a number and all the ways it can be represented. During carpet time we sing lots of songs linked to numbers and use a wide variety of resources to support our counting. We introduce a lot of new mathematical language in this term. Looking beyond numbers, we will be discussing elements of measure and time such as the days of the week and months of the year. Seesaw number activities will link closely to what is being taught in the classroom.

### Health and wellbeing

Primary 1 have two PE lessons a week, these are scheduled for Tuesday and Friday. Children should come dressed in their PE kits on these days. We are a healthy promoting school and encourage children to bring a healthy snack Monday-Thursday. On Friday snack can be a small treat. Please only send

one/two small snacks as break time is short and we would like the children to have the opportunity to play with their friends also. We are also a nut free school due to allergies.

Primary 1 are beginning this term with a handwashing focus before snack and lunch to ensure we have clean hands before eating.



### Play

St. Matthew's is a play-based school and we learn so much through our play opportunities. Social skills are encouraged through sharing resources whilst developing our new friendships and practising our communication skills. Play allows children to consolidate lots of learning and promotes creativity, confidence and curiosity.

### For your information:

PE days: Tuesday and Friday

Ms Magennis—Tuesday  
am: PE and STEM

Ms Magennis Wednesday:  
Literacy, Numeracy,  
French and assembly.

Reading hour: Friday pm

