



# Thistle Information

**BLOCK 1**  
**2025-26**



**Reading** - In Class Thistle we read every day. We read a range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry texts. We focus on our reading comprehension skills through our levelled reading books and practise our common words. We enjoy class story time at the end of each day.

**Listening and Talking** - We focus on our talking and listening skills continually throughout the day. We start the term, reminding ourselves of our 'Good listening skills' and 'good manners' and are also developing our ability to use restorative conversations to work out any problems.

**Writing** - Our focus will be fiction characterisation. We will use stories that we read together in class to produce writing about character. We will also have regular short handwriting sessions to help improve letter formation and write weekly news.

**Spelling** - We do spelling practice every day. Much of the time, we enjoy active and sensory spelling in a variety of different ways.



We are beginning the term with a unit of work on place value, counting and numerals. We will be using lots of practical resources to help us develop and secure our understanding.

In maths we will also be enjoying work on Time.

On our return to school, we will be revisiting our School Values.



As part of daily routine in class, we focus on emotions and ways that we can express them appropriately.

**PE** - our indoor PE day this term will be on a Tuesday.



Each Monday, children will bring home a new reading book for the week. The aim is that children should read, or be read to, at home 3 times per week.

Common words, phonic sound cards or spelling words relevant to individual pupil need will also be sent home. These should be practised/completed if your child is happy to do so.



**Social Studies/Science/Technology** - our focus is 'Under the Sea'.

**Expressive Arts** Much of our art, music, PE and drama will be cross-curricular, linked to our topic.

**RME** - This term we will be learning about Joseph and Harvest Stories and Customs.

**Outdoor Learning** We will regularly be taking our learning across the curriculum outdoors.

**Digital Literacy** - We will be learning about using Word.

Additional  
Information

**Uniform** - make sure all items of uniform are labelled.

**School Information** - Please check the school App and website and follow us on X.

**Health Promoting School** - We are a Health Promoting School and follow Glasgow City Council's 'Better Eating, Better Learning Policy'. This means that snacks pupils are permitted to bring are:

-A healthy snack - **NO** sweets, chocolate etc., and water to drink - in a refillable bottle preferably.

**Daily Mile** - The class will be participating in the daily mile each day as part of our P.E programme.