



The Glapton Academy

EYFS Walnut and Larch Class

Newsletter Spring Term



Through the Keyhole

Superheroes

This half term we are going to be learning about real life superheroes, such as the police, firefighters and paramedics. We will find out about their different roles and how they support our community and the different resources they may use.

We will unpick why fruit and vegetables are good for us along with other types of food and find out about healthy and unhealthy meal choices and why 'super foods' are good for us.

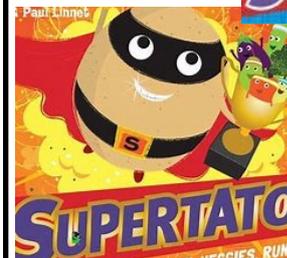
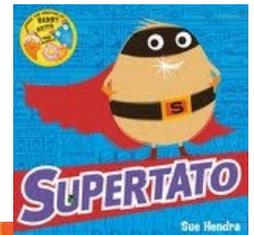
For our scientific work we will be exploring water. We will freeze water and find out what happens, and explore the changes that happen over time. We will take part in floating and sinking experiments and discuss our findings.



We will also be revisiting our Seasons work, talking about the changes that we notice in the weather in winter and discuss what we can see happening.

Book recommendation

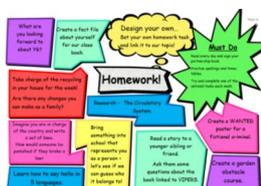
We would recommend: Super-tato, Run Veggies Run and Superkid.



Homework

A homework menu will be provided each half term which can be found on our class page of the website. These tasks will cover a range of skills..

Children can choose as many additional tasks as they like to fit in with their busy schedules at home.



English

In English this half term we will continuing to apply our phonics skills and knowledge to write labels and lists by recognising the phonemes we can hear in the words to help us write them.

We will be learning about speech in stories and writing our own speech bubbles.

As part of our topic work we will learning all about healthy foods, so we will also be writing instructions for making a healthy snack.



Maths

In Maths this half term, we will be exploring the numerals 5, 6 and 7. We will learn to both recognise and write the numerals. Order numbers up to 7 and count out objects from a larger group. We will explore how to make these totals in different ways and using different methods.

E.g. to know that $5 + 2 = 7$, but also $4 + 3 = 7$ too.

We will be building on our knowledge of number sentences and work on using the correct symbol + and =.

We will also learn more about 2d shapes that have these numbers of sides. Reminding ourselves about circles, triangles and learning more about squares, rectangles, pentagons, hexagons, and heptagons. We will be developing our understanding of these shapes and talking about their properties.

Maths Vocabulary

Numeral
number
more
less
big
small
before
after
number line
sequence
order



Animal Words

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A huge congratulations to those who are working through the different animals and are continuing to achieve your certificates. **Animal words are tested on a Friday and are an important part of learning to read as many of these words cannot be segmented and blended using our phonics skills and therefore have to be memorised.**

If your child can read them independently, they can have a go at learning to spell them from memory.



Outdoor Play

We will be playing outside every day, regardless of the weather.

Please ensure your child comes to school with appropriate clothing for the weather. This half term, we will more than likely need raincoats and wellies (these can come in a bag and hang on pegs) as well as cosy coats, hats, scarves and gloves as the weather gets colder.

PE

Our PE days will be a **Monday (Walnut)** and **Tuesday (Larch)** this half term.

Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit clearly labelled with their name. Earrings must be removed for this day.

PE kit consists of:

Plain white t-shirt
Black shorts/joggers
Trainers (outside)

Dates for your diary

4.01.22—Inset day

5.01.22—Return to school

24.01.22/25.01.22—Parent/Carer Evenings

10.02.22—Thank You Club

We hope you have had a wonderful Christmas time and we look forward to all the challenges ahead in this spring term!

Mrs Eden-Smith,

Mrs Fletcher, Mr Weeks