



Glengowan Primary School and Nursery Class Newsletter - January 2024



We are a **Reading School**



Dear Parent/Carer

We are a Reading School!

Just in case you haven't yet heard- we now have our Reading School accreditation.

Improvement Priority Three

Attain our first Reading School Award.



Our trophy and certificate are now both on display. Thank you to all the staff, children and parents/carers who have supported us on our accreditation journey.

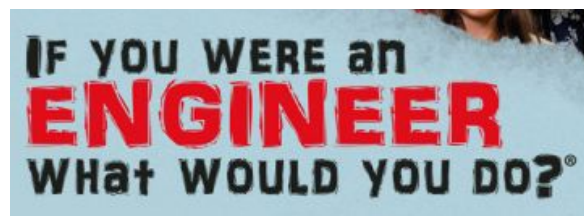
On Friday 26th January, we were delighted to welcome back Joan Haig, author of *Tiger Skin Rug*. Joan was our guest for the official opening of our library last year. She read to the children at our assembly and plans to make a return for World Book Day in March. We are so grateful for her continuing interest in our school and the support she offers.





Improvement Priority Two

Develop our curriculum offer with a focus on Technologies and Art & Design.



We were delighted to welcome Morgan to our assembly on Friday 19th January. She is a former pupil of Larkhall Academy and now an engineer with Howden. She explained her journey through school and university. Following this she explained her employment, including a period working with a Formula 1 team. The children seemed very impressed with her achievements so far. Morgan visited two classes after the assembly and took questions from the children. She has set a challenge for all the children at Glengowan to take part in a UK-wide competition, asking the question: If you were an Engineer what would you do? More information about this challenge will be shared with the children soon.

Beat the Street

Raymond came to our assembly last week to present two certificates, two trophies and a voucher for books. Once again, I would like to thank all the members of our school community who walked for miles with the children. Raymond told the children that, in total, they walked more than the distance from Larkhall to Mexico City.





Burns' Celebration - Thursday 25th January

Miss Richardson, Mrs Warwick and P7 organised a celebration last week. We heard many poems and songs. Our special guests included Mrs Ireland, Mrs Budgell and George, a piper from Larkhall Academy. My thanks to all who participated in and attended this special event.



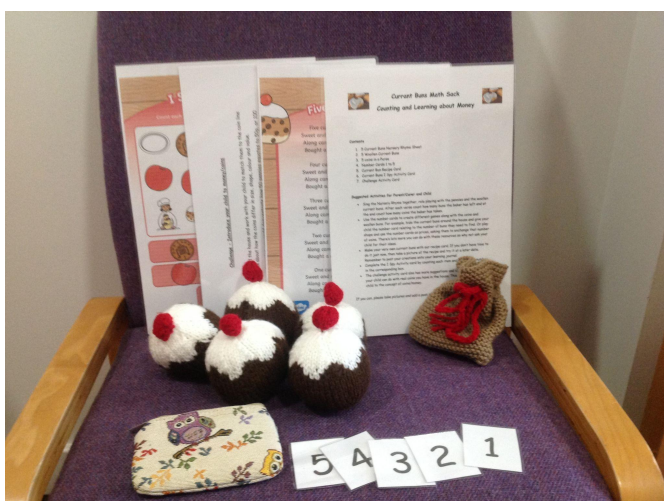
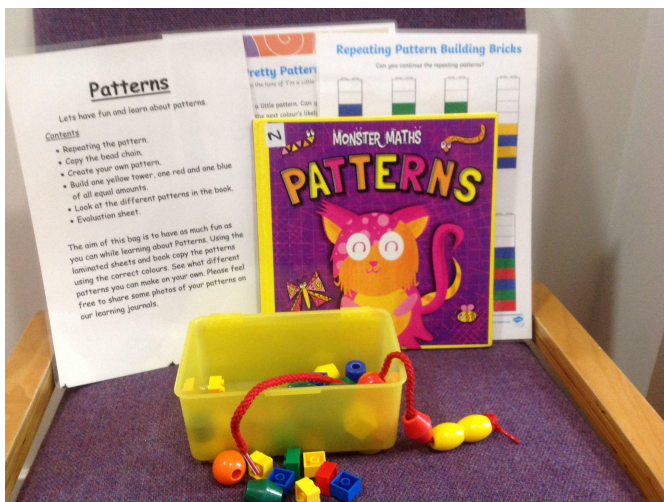
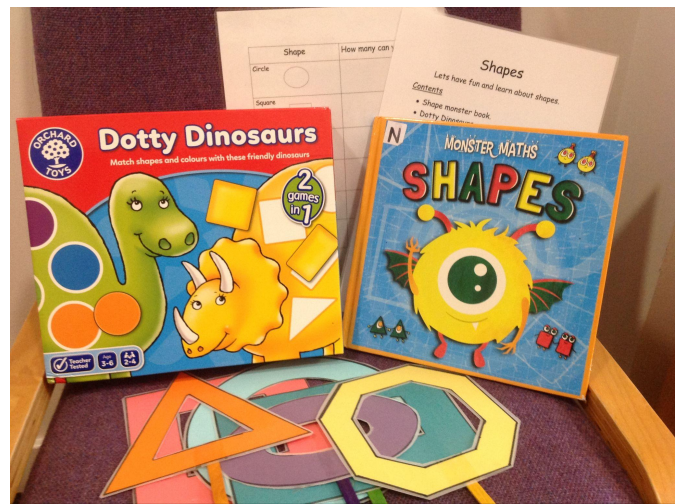
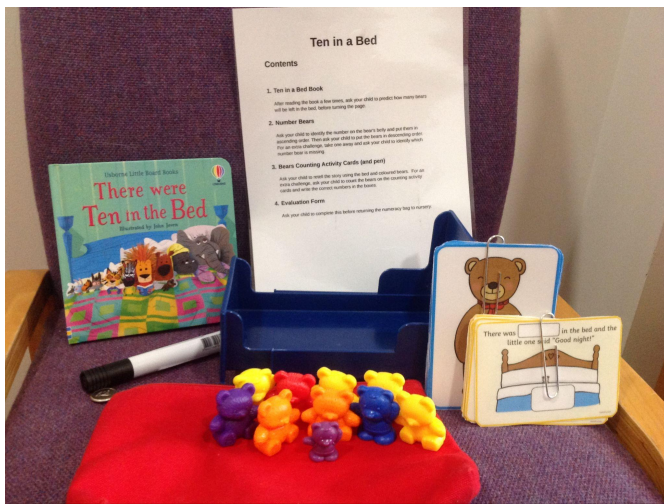


Improvement Priority Four

Develop a Nursery Class 'Learning at Home' Numeracy programme for parents/carers and children.

Nursery Maths Sacks

In response to feedback from last year's parent/carer survey, maths sacks have been created for the children. The nursery team has made these available due to responses about learning at home. We hope that you and your child enjoy the activities when they come home.



Parents Portal

All parents/carers of P1-7 children must register with parentsportal.scot as soon as possible.

To access parentsportal.scot go to <https://parentsportal.scot/home/>

*****Please sign up in preparation for the March Parents' Evenings.*****

Our current school app will no longer be in use very soon.

<u>Important Dates</u>	
<i>Monday 12th February</i>	<i>HOLIDAY</i>
<i>Tuesday 13th February</i>	<i>HOLIDAY</i>
<i>Wednesday 14th February</i>	<i>In-Service. School closed to all children.</i>
<i>Tuesday 20th February</i>	<i>Nursery Stay and Play (pm)</i>
<i>Thursday 22nd February</i>	<i>Nursery Stay and Play (am)</i>

Yours faithfully,

***G Murray
Head Teacher***