

Approach to Home Learning

On a weekly basis, each class will be set a variety of home learning tasks that link to the learning in the class through either SEESAW (P1 and P2 classes) or TEAMS (P3-7 classes). These tasks will vary depending on the learning focus and stage of learning. These learning tasks are entirely optional and can be completed at any time that suits learners and their families. Through our consultation with parents it was noted that many families felt that they have more time during weekends than during the week.

Here is an overview of different home learning tasks that may be set.

Reading

For younger children we will ask parents to work with their child to learn skills for reading e.g. learning initial sounds, practising reading school texts and reading for enjoyment.

Older children are asked to read texts of their choice regularly. We have provided access to Bug Club to give all families a range of different texts they can enjoy with their child.

Spelling

We encourage parents to practise common words and spelling sounds at home with their child and provide a choice of activities to support them to do this. Each week we will upload a list of spelling words for children to practise.

Numeracy

Children will be encouraged to consolidate their learning through online portals such as Sumdog and Studyladder as well as opportunities to rehearse times tables and consolidate number bonds through playing practical games.

Other areas

Throughout the year, classes maybe set tasks that link to other areas of the curriculum such as Social Studies, Science HWB and develop research, enquiry and presentation skills.

Further Information

You will find more information and support on how to access TEAMS within the appendices. We are always on hand to support families with any access difficulties so please contact the school if there any issues regarding this. If at any time you want to discuss the content of the home learning, please contact the class teacher as per the school communications policy.

Appendix 1 Our Home Learning Vision

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| <p>Flexible</p> <p>Active</p> <p>Motivational</p> <p>Important</p> <p>Linked</p> <p>Your Choice</p> | <p>Family life is busy! We want to support learning which can be done at a time to suit you. Some weeks you may choose to do a few activities and other weeks none.</p> <p>Learning should be active. Active learning engages and challenges children’s thinking. Children learn best when they are playing, talking, exploring and investigating.</p> <p>Learning should be fun! It is important that children learn about things they are interested in. By providing choice we want to increase engagement.</p> <p>Family time is important. Home learning activities have been designed to encourage positive family experiences – playing, talking, sharing. You may decide to engage in alternative experiences than those suggested by the school.</p> <p>Many of the of learning activities designed by the teachers will link directly with what is going on in class.</p> <p>Home learning will not be marked by the class teacher. Teachers will, however, encourage children to share and celebrate home learning achievements in class.</p> <p>It is your choice what and how many activities you do.</p> |
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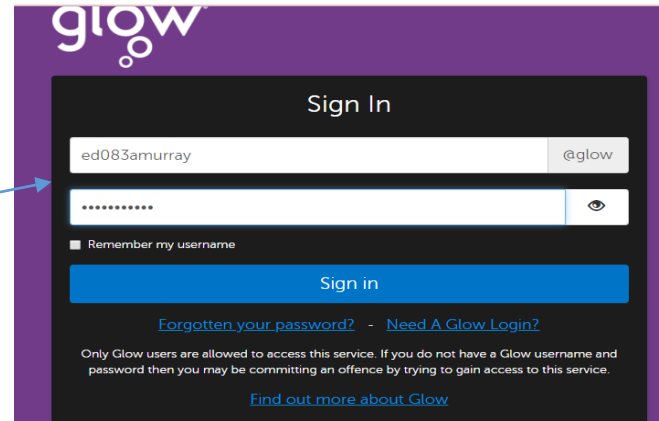
Appendix 2 -Accessing TEAMS

Accessing Glow Teams from Launch Pad

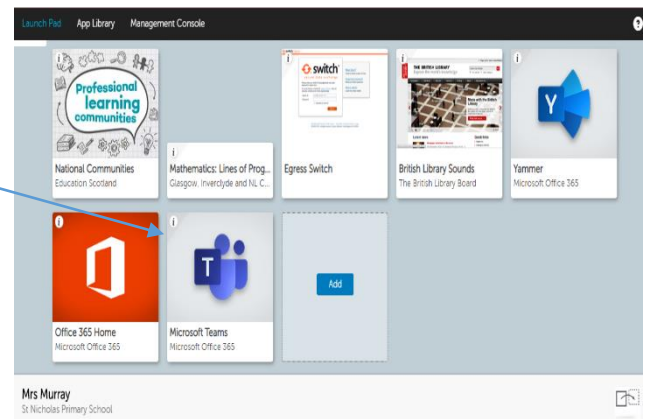
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Or google 'Glow log in'

1. Log in to glow using Username and password



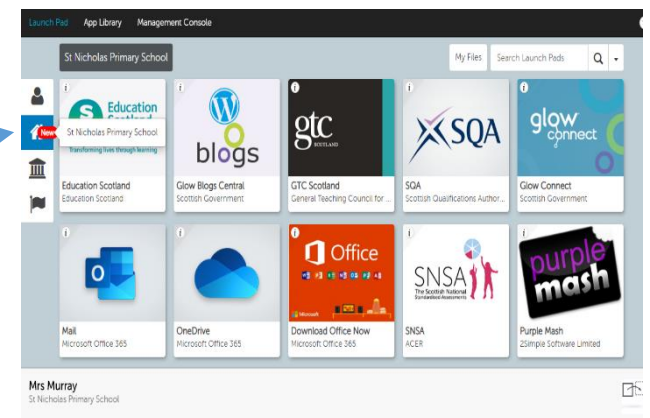
2. Select Microsoft Teams from your launch pad.



HELP!

If you cannot see the tile for Teams, check you are on the school launch pad.

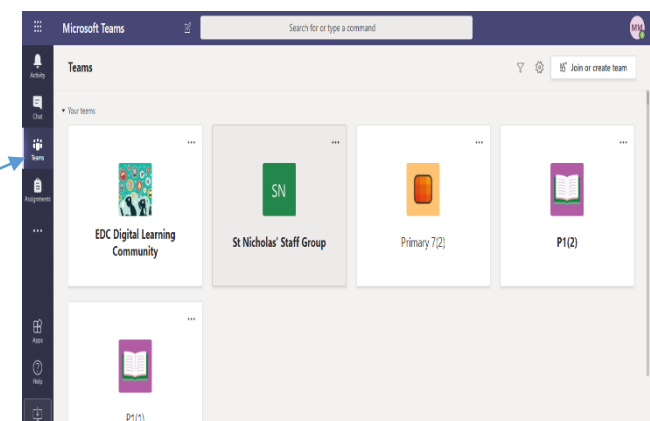
You may have to scroll down to see the TEAMS tile.



Select the Team you want –
Your class group

Help!

If your team doesn't show, click on teams at the left hand side of the screen.



Teams Troubleshooting Guide

Some pupils may experience issues accessing Microsoft Teams from certain devices/browsers at home and I have outlined solutions to these issues below:

Accessing MS Teams from a Mac Computer

Please note that MS Teams does not work on Safari. Therefore, if your child/ren are using Mac computers/laptops at home please download the Google Chrome browser (for free at https://www.google.co.uk/intl/en_uk/chrome/) in order to allow them access to MS Teams as normal via their Glow login.

Accessing MS Teams from a Tablet/Phone

When children login to their Glow accounts using a tablet/phone the MS Teams tile does not work. In order to access MS Teams from a tablet or phone please download the free MS Teams App. You will then be prompted to login to the app.

When logging in via the app, your child needs to use their email address in this format: **ed083smith@glow.sch.uk**, **NOT** the version that ends in @st-nicholas.e-dunbarton.sch.uk Your child will then be asked to enter their GLOW Password.

Accessing Files on Teams

Sometimes an error message appears, and you cannot view/access any files on TEAMS.

If this happens, click on the 3 dots at the top right hand side of the page and select ***open in SharePoint***. (Sometimes this option is available without having to select the 3 dots!)

