



Pine Class Newsletter

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Welcome to Pine Class!

Hello and welcome to Pine Class. We hope you have all had a wonderful summer and enjoyed some special time with your loved ones. We are really looking forward to getting to know you and your children over the next few weeks and are very excited for what we have planned this term.

The children will be taught by me (Mrs Martin) with the exception of a Friday when they will be taught by Mrs Hitchcock. Every morning Mrs Borg will be with us, and Mrs Borg, Mr Muskett and Mrs Roe will help us in the afternoons. On a Tuesday afternoon, the children will be taught music by Miss Morgan, and on a Wednesday afternoon, to cover my PPA, they will be taught PE by Mr Green and RE by Mrs Horner.

The children will need their named book bags and a water bottle in school every day which must only have water inside please. The weather is looking warm for the start of September so please send them in with a sunhat and apply sun cream before the school day, if necessary. Please ensure children are dressed appropriately for the weather and that all uniform is named so that if it gets lost, we can easily return it to its rightful owner.

Copies of the Class Timetable, Newsletter, Long Term Plan and Curriculum Overview can all be found on our class page on the new school website.

In Maths, we will be looking closely at numbers to 10, addition and subtraction with numbers within 10 and subitising. In English, we will be introducing the children to the writing approach we use called, 'The Write Stuff' focusing on the text, 'The Train Ride'. We will also have fun and create some non-fiction poems titled, 'myself'. We will be continuing to develop the children's phonics skills through the Little Wandle program. If you would like any information or a reminder about all things phonics, please come along to our **Phonics Information Session on Wednesday 17th September at 6pm or Thursday 18th September at 9am.**

In Science, we will be investigating seasonal change in Autumn and Winter and aim to use our environment as a stimulus. We will also be looking at 'materials' and their properties as well as naming and comparing materials.

In Art, we will be exploring, drawing and making marks with paint and mixed media. I cannot wait to see their creations!

Our Geography topic this half-term will be 'What is it like here?' During this topic, we will be looking at aerial photographs, creating maps and investigating and designing ways to improve our playground.

We will be continuing to send reading books home on a Friday and really hope you can support us and your children by reading at home as much as you can. Please ensure that you record when your child has read at home, just a signature and page number

in the orange reading record is fine, and if you want to write us a comment that is wonderful too.

We will also send home phonics and maths homework. The phonics homework we send home is just as important as reading with your children. This consolidates the learning that we have been doing in class that week which is essential to aid the children's progress. I do not need lots of evidence of what you have been doing at home, just a tick, initials or date is absolutely fine. Of course, if you want to write a message to tell me how amazing they have been, or something they have found difficult this would be great too. Both Phonics and Maths homework is due back in on a Wednesday please.

As already stated, PE lessons will be on a Wednesday with Mr Green and a Monday with me. Please continue to send the children into school in their PE kit on these days. Correct PE kit includes a plain navy jumper/hoodie or a school jumper, plain navy or black joggers or shorts (depending on the weather) and trainers. We will be outside as much as we possibly can for PE so please dress them accordingly.

We cannot wait to work with the children this term, and look forward to them producing some super work over the coming weeks.

If you have any further questions or would like to pass on any information, please feel free to speak to us on the playground or contact the office and we will arrange a time to give you a call.

Kind regards,

Mrs Martin and the Pine Class Team