



Padstow School & Nursery

Head of School: Mrs K Whitford

Monday 15th April 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope you have fun and restful Easter holidays. Below, there is some information about the summer term and some ideas about helping your child at home.

Phonics

Kittiwake will start their new/continued Read Write Inc groups this week. We will be recapping tricky sounds and working on their comprehension skills.

In June this year, Y1 and some Y2 will have their phonics screening check. It would really benefit the children if you could recap the sounds learnt, these are stuck in their reading diaries at the start of each new book.

In the front of their RWI books you will find a chart containing speed sounds and words related to the books they are reading. Each child will be able to tell you how we practise these. I will also upload links to RWI clips on SeeSaw.

Reading

Reading leaders will give each child a Read Write Inc book as well as a book bag book to read at home. These will be changed as we move through the scheme. The children practise their reading with books that match the phonics and the 'tricky words' they know. They start thinking that they *can* read and this does wonders for their confidence. The children also practise reading (and spelling) what we call 'tricky words', such as 'once,' 'have,' 'said' and 'where'.

Children should read at home **at least five times a week**. All reading should be recorded in their Reading Record books, please also write in here any other home reading you might share. We will count reads weekly and give our reading at home certificates.

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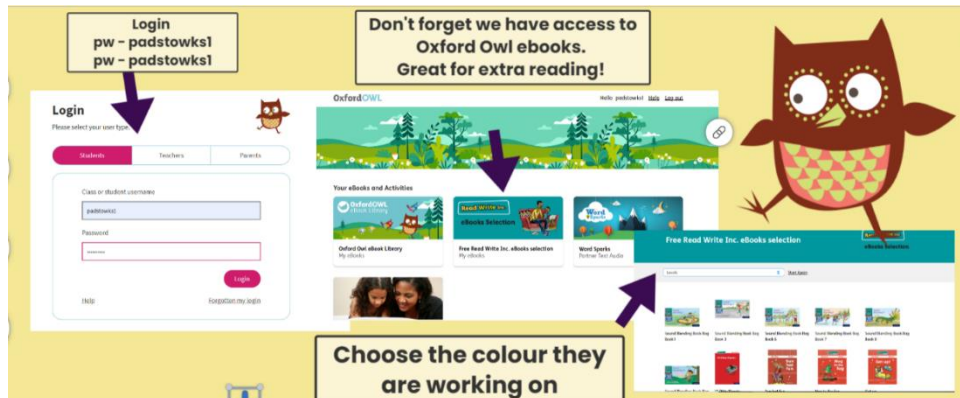




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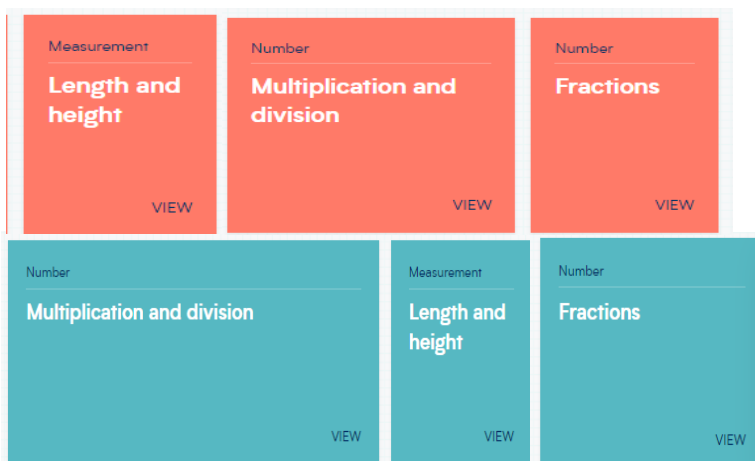
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If your child reads separately with an adult at school, this will be recorded in the Reading Record in pink pen.



Maths

This half term year 1 will continue with length and height and then move onto multiplication and division. Year 2 will continue with multiplication and division and then move onto length and height.



Homework

We use 'Seesaw' as our online learning platform in Kittiwake class. I will be uploading a weekly maths activity linked to what we have been learning. This is intended for you to work on together, consolidating the week's learning.

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Suggested websites and Apps to help support your child's learning:

- BBC Bitesize KS1
- Literacy games - <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/5-7-years/letters-and-sounds>
- Ruth Miskin https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCo7fbLgY2oA_cFCIg9GdxtQ
- Teach your Monster to read
- Oxford Owls <https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/at-school/year-2-at-primary-school/maths-curriculum-year-2-age-6-7/>
- Times Table rockstars
- Numbots

Spellings

Children will have weekly spellings to practise and learn. Each child will have a spelling book in which these weekly spellings can be practised. If your spelling book is full, please let me know and I will provide another one. There are lots of different ways to learn their spellings. It is important that they also understand the meaning of the words they are learning. Can they put them into context? Can they write a sentence including one or two?

PE

PE will be taught on a **Friday**. Please ensure your child brings their kit to school at the beginning of the week. This can be left in school for the week. Children should bring a **school PE kit** (school jumper or plain black sweatshirt/ hoody, PE t-shirt, plain black leggings/jogging bottoms, plain black trainers).

Outdoor Learning

During the summer term outdoor learning will not be on a specific day. Due to the improvement in the weather we hope to take learning outside more often. Children do not need to bring in or wear outdoor learning clothes.

Each child to keep a pair of wellies in a named bag in school.

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We encourage your child to have water bottles in school, so they have access to water throughout the day. Snacks from home need to be labelled and put in the snack tray for break time. Please can you help us with our Healthy School status and provide fruit, veg or other healthy snacks. Snack ideas can be found on <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/food-facts/healthier-snacks-for-kids> .

Could they, also, only bring to school a lunch box (if not having school lunches), coat, hat, sunscreen, book bag and water bottle (**water only**) - all labelled.

I will only be available for a brief exchange of information at the class door so if you feel you need a longer conversation, please make an appointment for me to call you by telephoning or emailing the office, on hello@padstowschool.org, and I will endeavour to get back to you the same day.

Yours sincerely

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