



# Padstow School & Nursery

Head of School: Mrs K Whitford

01/11/2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to school. I hope you had a relaxing half term break and are now ready for more learning and adventures as we lead up to Christmas.

We continue with our curriculum theme of 'Childhood'. We continue to learn about childhood in the 1950s, starting with the coronation of Queen Elizabeth. In a few weeks we move away from our history focus. We will be exploring 'Our Wonderful World'.

*In the Our Wonderful World project, your child will learn the meaning of the terms geography, physical feature and human feature. They will use maps, including picture maps, globes, online mapping tools and world maps. Your child will learn to use positional language, such as next to and behind, and directional language, such as forwards and backwards. They will also become familiar with the cardinal compass points, north, south, east and west. They will learn the names and positions of the continents and oceans of the world and they will study aerial photographs and spot familiar areas of their locality from above.*

Below, there is some information about the school year and some ideas about helping your child at home.

## **Important dates/information:**

**1st November** - School Photos

**14<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> November** - Anti-Bullying Week

**18th November** - Children in Need

**5<sup>th</sup> December** – EYFS Nativity performance (more information coming soon)

**6<sup>th</sup> December** – EYFS Nativity performance (more information coming soon)

**8th December** - Christmas Jumper day (Save the Children)

**14th December** - Christmas Dinner Day

**16<sup>th</sup> December** – Last day of term - 1.30pm Finish. Pyjama party.

**Outdoor learning** - Wednesday

**PE lessons** - Friday

**3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023** - School Closure Date

**4<sup>th</sup> January 2023** - First day of Spring Term

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## Phonics

Kittiwake have been working hard in phonics. We have reassessed them and they will be starting in their new/continued groups after the holidays.

This half term Y2 will be undertaking the phonics screening check. I intend to administer the tests in December, which I hope will give them all another 5 weeks of practising. If they do not pass this time, they will retake the test in the Summer term.

In June 2022, Y1 have their phonics screening check.

Please continue to recap all their sounds as regularly as you can. It really is the foundation to becoming fluent readers and writers.

## 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.

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## Y1

This half term we are learning all about 'Addition and Subtraction'. We will be using the part-whole model to add, learning our number bonds to 10, comparing number bonds, learning about the subtraction operation and counting on and back.

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12
Autumn	Number: Place Value (within 10)				Number: Addition and Subtraction (within 10)					Geometry: Shape	Number: Place Value (within 20)	
Spring	Consolidation	Number: Addition and Subtraction (within 20)			Number: Place Value (within 50)			Measurement: Length and Height	Measurement: Weight and Volume		Consolidation	
Summer	Consolidation	Number: Multiplication and Division			Number: Fractions		Geometry: Position and Direction	Number: Place Value (within 100)		Measurement: Money	Measurement: Time	

## Y2

This half term we will be continuing to learn about addition and subtraction. We will be recapping counting in 2s, 5s and 10s as well learning about the value of coins and notes, adding money and finding change. Just before Christmas we will start to explore making and adding equal groups.

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Spring	Number: Multiplication and Division				Statistics		Geometry: Properties of Shape		Number: Fractions			
Summer	Measurement: Length and Height		Geometry: Position and Direction		Consolidation and problem solving		Measurement: Time		Measurement: Mass, Capacity and Temperature			Consolidation

## 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.

## Homework Project reminder:

I would like you to make your very own homemade toy! This can be made from whatever materials you want. I can't wait to see their creations! Feel free to bring them in at any point during the next half term. Please can all creations be in by Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December ready for our homework assembly!

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

- Mr Thorne Network on Youtube – fantastic phonics videos.
- BBC Bitesize KS1
- Literacy games - <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/5-7-years/letters-and-sounds>
- Science Materials - [http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/scienceclips/ages/5\\_6/sorting\\_using\\_mate\\_whatnext.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/scienceclips/ages/5_6/sorting_using_mate_whatnext.shtml)

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- o Teach your Monster to read
- o Oxford Owls <https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/at-school/year-2-at-primary-school/maths-curriculum-year-2-age-6-7/>

## 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? Please find this half terms spelling list attached.

## PE

PE will be taught on a Monday. Please ensure your child wears their school PE kit to school. We will be outside for PE this term, so please ensure they have suitable footwear and a warm coat.

## Outdoor Learning

Outdoor learning will be continuing on a Friday afternoon. We plan to be outside whatever the weather!

- Each child to keep a pair of wellies in a named bag in school.
- Children to wear suitable clothes for outdoor learning (eg clothes you will not mind coming home muddy!). Their school jumper should still be worn.

## Other Information:

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

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you by telephoning or emailing the office and I will endeavour to get back to you the same day.

Yours sincerely

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Kittiwake Class Teacher and Key Stage One Lead

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