

Penguins Autumn 2026 Newsletter

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Thank you for all your continued support and supporting your child with all they do in school and the Penguins Class.

Thematic work

This term our history focus in topic will be all about Chronology, understanding how am I making history. The children will be exploring timelines and past and present events. They will learn about events of time, family events and ordering images. In Autumn 2, the children will learn all about toys. They will explore old and new toys.

Homework

Thank you for your commitment to your child's learning.

Each week your child will have a piece of homework to complete at home. The focus will follow the learning completed that week. This half term, our history topic is 'How am I making History?' We invite you to create a project at home about this topic and bring it in to school to share with the class. This could include some research, writing, art work or any days out that link to this topic.

Spellings

We will do our spelling tests each Monday afternoon. Please practice these with the children at home, this term the children will have 5 spelling words to learn. Please continue to help your child to write and spell these applying phonic knowledge.

Reading Books

Our focus this term is reading. We will continue to change the children's books each week to ensure they have the opportunity to read a variety of texts at home as well as in school. Throughout the week it is our aim to read with each child individually in addition to our phonics lessons. The children will receive an additional phonics book at the end of each week. Please ensure books are in school every day. In addition to the reading books, your child will need to continue to learn their high frequency words at home. The children will need a book bag for their draw.

They do not need a back pack. It is important that you listen to your child read every day and sign their reading record book. Children can

earn certificates and rewards for the amount of times they read each week.

P.E. Kits

P.E takes place on a Wednesday this term. Please can all children come to school in their PE kits. This includes trainers, a white t-shirt and black shorts or jogging bottoms with a black zip up jacket. Your child will also need a pair of black PE pumps to wear for indoor PE lessons. These will need to be sent into school in a labelled bag and be kept in school throughout the year. We would like to remind you that if your child is in an after-school P.E. club such as gymnastics they will need to bring a full P.E. kit to change into. No earrings or jewellery is allowed to be worn for PE.

Other information

Please ensure that your child's uniform and PE kits are have their names in and that they have a labelled water bottle in school each day. Toast is made fresh each day for those children that would like it, 20p a day or £1.00 a week to the class teacher.

Communication

We try our best to speak either with parents and carers daily to address any concerns, however if you do need to contact us please use the class email address or contact the school office. You will also find key information via the website. If you have any questions, we will be happy to answer you as soon as we can.

Thank you in advance for your support, in giving your children the best opportunities to reach their full potential. We are as a team very proud of your child and look forward to working with you this year.

Best wishes, Mrs Bryant, Mrs McArdle & Mrs Hunt

