

Year 2

Pine Tree Class

Term 6



Dear Parent/Carers and children

Welcome back! We hope you had a good break and that you and the children enjoyed a well-deserved week off. Term 6 is a fun term, full of trips, investigations, castle building, as well as lots of outdoor activities. We are very excited about the wonderful learning we have planned for this final term in Pine Tree Class

Reading in Year 2...

The children have all made fantastic progress in their reading. As usual if your child needs to change their book, please remind them to hand the book in and put it into the right book box. Please continue to try to hear your child read for at least ten minutes **every night**; talk about the story and ask questions like 'what happens when...' and 'who are the characters...', 'what happens first..?' etc. Our focus this term will be on ensuring that they are getting a rich diet of various text types to read.



This term

Topic - Castles, Kings and Queens - a history topic where the children will learn about the lives and reigns of various monarchs. We will also identify the key roles of a monarch as well as design and build our own castle. If your child has any books relevant to our topic - please send it in and we can add it to our Topic library. It will be returned at the end of term.

Literacy - We will focus on a variety of genres including description writing, letter writing, recounts and diary writing. As much as possible it will be linked to our topic, including finding out about The Queen's Knickers!

Maths - We will focus on ensuring that any KS1 gaps are filled as well as developing our Problem Solving skills.

Science - This term is about plants where the children will observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants. They will also find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.

RE - We will continue to learn about Islam and what Muslims believe.

PE : - This term is Tennis on a Thursday and Athletics on a Friday.

Homework: - This term I will not set weekly homework tasks - however I shall set two projects linked to Literacy and our Topic. *More details to follow very soon.*

General reminders:

- The class will be doing **PE on Thursdays and Friday** -Please ensure your child has a PE kit in school **at all times**, and that all items are clearly labelled.
- Mrs Hodgson and Mrs Holman will be taking the class on a Wednesday afternoon. (Science and Art)
- As last term your child may bring in a **water** bottle to keep in class. This will be kept on a class trolley and can be accessed throughout the day. Please make sure it is clearly marked with your child's name. Please ensure that it is just water and **not** juice or squash.
- Hopefully the sun will make another appearance this term, so please ensure that your child has the relevant skin and head protection.

Thank you
Mrs Porteous & Mrs Holman