

Pelicans Class

Information

September 2023

Who are the teachers and teachina assistants?

Pelicans teachers are Sarah Berger Monday, Wednesday, Thursday morning and Friday. Celia Holland Tuesday and Lucy Jones, Thursday afternoons.

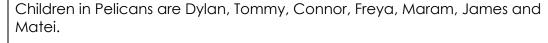
Our Teaching Assistants are Annette, Deb, Naz, Sandra and Karen.



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If you need to contact us urgently, please call the school office on 01202 592415. Classroom based staff may not be able to speak to you immediately but will call you back as soon as possible if necessary.

Who are the pupils/students?





What are they learning?



Your children have left the Early Years curriculum now and have started to work on our bespoke Vita Curriculum which runs alongside and compliments the National Curriculum. There will be plenty of opportunities for play, physical and sensory activities with more structured sessions of literacy, maths, phonics and ICT entwinned within our topic.

This term's topic is 'People'. To start our topic off we will be learning all about ourselves. We will be looking at how different and unique we are to each other and how we have changed since we were babies. We will then think about the people who are important to us, the people who can help us. In Understanding the World, we will learn about the human body and our senses.

The children will be given opportunities to explore technology through the use of the interactive smart board and laptops.

In maths we will continue to develop our understanding of number as well as learn about measure, shape and statistics. We will take our learning outside the classroom and apply our maths in different ways.

In English we will read and share a selection of traditional tales. We will complete activities based on these books as well as continuing with our 'Read Write Inc' programme.

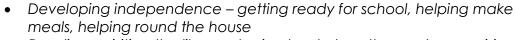
What a busy term ahead of us we have!

What are we learning about in RSE/PSHE?

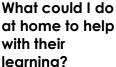
This term in PSHE and RSE we will be covering a variety of weekly sessions based around: relationships, internet/online safety/health and mental wellbeing.

If you would like to find out what specifically your child is learning, please speak to us.

What could I do with their learning?



- Reading visiting the library, sharing books together and recognising and reading signs in the local community.
- Linking to our topic you can share photos, create timelines and discuss important people in their lives.
- Practice key words that your child is learning
- Learning to cook/reading recipes is a great way to support and develop maths skills. 'Let's get baking'







Are there any good resources or websites we could use at home?

- Log on to the national college using your username details you will find numerous resources to support keeping your child safe online. https://nationalcollege.com/auth/login
- BBC Bitesize has a fountain of activities that are linked to our topic <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary</u>

What books or stories should we read at home?



This half term we will be sharing stories and asking children to retell parts of the story, please can you share traditional tales with your child for example Little Red Riding Hood and The Three Billy Goats Gruff. We will also be enjoying 'Elmer' and using the text to look at our similarities and differences.

When is PE?



PE in Pelicans class is on a Tuesday. We are encouraging the children's independence and so are asking that children bring in a PE kit and get changed at school. The PE kits will then stay at school for the rest of the term. Please ensure **all** uniform and PE kit is clearly labelled with your child's name.

When do you go out on trips?



This year we will visit different places within our local community. This half term however, we will be focusing on our school environment such as the trim trail, tennis courts and the meadow.

Are there other days when my child needs to bring in anything else?

We have 'Show and Tell' on Monday mornings. Your child could bring in something from home to share with the rest of the class at this time. Please do not send in anything valuable, good examples would be a special shell found at the beach or if it is more convenient please do email a photo which we can share on the interactive white board.

What snacks can I send for my child?



We will provide a small fruit snack during the morning and currently we are working towards all children accessing this. You're welcome to send a healthy snack as well which they can eat during this time. If you are sending in snacks please remember that we encourage healthy eating.

Also, we are a nut-free school so please do not send in nuts or any products containing nuts.

Are there any dates I should put on my calendar?



Friday 22nd September Jeans for Genes Day, wear jeans to school. Information to follow

Friday 13th October at 1:45pm 'meet and greet'. Please come and see the environment your child is learning in. You will then be able to take your child home afterwards.

23rd – 27th October – half term

Monday 20th November – Parents evening



Medication

For us to administer medication to your child, you must complete and return the 'Medication Consent Form'; the link is on this page. This can also be obtained from the school office. Medication must come into school in its original packet with a pharmacy prescription label.