

Penguins Class

Information

September 2023

Who are the
teachers and
teaching
assistants?

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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?



Alex, James, Connor, Chelsea, Layne, Zane, Nathan, Roary and Oliver.

What are they learning?



This term's topic is 'People'. To start our topic off we will be learning all about ourselves. We will then think about the people who are important to us, the people who can help us and then we will start to think about other important people in the wider world, this might be people from the past as well as those in the present.

In Understanding the World, we will learn about the human body, our senses and the human life-cycle. We will also take this opportunity to learn about keeping healthy.

When working with technology, we will continue to develop our understanding around e-safety. We will develop our ICT functional skills and look at operating a variety of computerised software.

In creative arts we will be exploring printing and portrait artists. We will also be listening to and learning a variety of songs in music.

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

What are we learning about in RSE/PSHE?

This term in PSHE we will be covering a variety of weekly sessions based around: relationships, internet/online safety/health and mental wellbeing. This term in RSE our focus will be on 'changing bodies' as always, these lessons will be personalised to meet the needs of individual students. Students will start by thinking about how they change physically from being a baby to being an adult. We will then move to being able to describe and identify these differences before being able to recognise and explain the physical and emotional changes.

If you would like to find out what specifically your child is learning, please speak with their class teacher.

What could I do Developing independence – getting ready for school, helping make meals, helping round the house at home to help with their Reading – visiting the library, sharing books together and recognising learning? 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. 'Lets get baking' Log on to the national college using your username details – you will Are there any find numerous resources to support keeping your child safe online. good resources https://nationalcollege.com/auth/login or websites we BBC Bitesize has a fountain of activities that are linked to our topic could use at home? https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary What books or stories should we In Penguins we will be listening to, and re-telling traditional tales including The read at home? Gingerbread man, the Little Red Hen and Goldilocks and the Three bears. Please share traditional tales with your children – we would love to share their favourite books at school. Friday mornings. We are encouraging the children's independence and so are asking that children bring in a PE kit and get changed at school. We will then send them home later in the term to be washed and returned. Sometimes on a Thursday or Friday we hope to be able to take the children When do you go out on trips? on trips to the local community such as parks to play, encourage friendships and build social skills. Are there other We share our weekend news on a Monday morning-please can adults days when my write something your child has done at the weekend in their child needs to communication book, or email a photo. This will support their bring in anything communication. else? We have 'Show and Tell' on Wednesday mornings. Your child could bring in something from home to share with the rest of the class at this time. We do not share toys with guns or weapons and discourage toys or characters from YouTube games or fandom sites. After half term we will be looking at baby photos. Please can you send in (or email) a photo of your child as a baby. Also, a photo of a parent or family member as a child, older child and adult would be very helpful too, so we can see how we change and grow. What snacks can We will provide a small fruit snack during the morning. You're welcome to I send for my 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. child?

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.