

Pendragon Community Primary School

Kittens Class – Mrs Willmore

Early Years Foundation Stage

Communication and Language

- Listening to stories, poems and non-fiction, responding to the different genres
- Talking about the books we read and answering questions to check comprehension
- Listening to others adults and friends
- · Asking and answering questions
- Talking to each other about what we do, learn and the things we make
- Learning new vocabulary linked to the theme
- Following instructions
- Retelling familiar stories using a range of sequencing words including first, next, then, after, after that, luckily, unluckily and finally

Personal, social and emotional development

- Continuing to reflect on the '5 ways to wellbeing' within everything we do
- Developing independence as we complete work
- Following our school motto REACh
- Sharing and taking turns with others
- Exploring how our behaviour can affect others
- Talking about ways we can keep ourselves safe and healthy including the food choices we make, exercise, sleep and ways to stay clean

Physical Development

- Travelling in different ways and combining various movements including walking, skipping, running, jogging, hopping, marching and crawling
- Developing catching skills using a small ball
- Developing our aiming skills when throwing a beanbag at a target
- Using a variety of tools and media such as pens, pencils, chalk, pastels and paintbrushes to create detailed pictures
- Continuing to form cursive graphemes for writing

Let it grow

What makes our planet amazing?



Characteristics of Effective Teaching and Learning

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Playing and Exploring – engagement

Finding out and exploring Playing with what they know Being willing to 'have a go'

Active Learning - motivation

Being involved and concentrating
Keep on trying
Enjoying achieving what they set out to do

Creating and Thinking Critically

Having their own ideas
Making links
Choosing ways to do things

Literacy

- Phase 4 phonics learning to read and spell words containing adjacent consonant clusters
- Reading key words by sight
- Writing simple sentences including finger spaces between words, using a capital letter to start and a full stop to end.
- Exploring a range of texts including fiction, nonfiction and poetry

Maths

- Recognising and ordering numbers up to 20
- Number sense to 10 including learning addition and subtraction facts for numbers up to 7
- Subitising 1 to 6 using dotty patterns
- Counting in 2s up to 20
- Recognising more and fewer when comparing numbers and quantities of objects
- Exploring length, mass and capacity
- Understanding words related to time including knowing the days of the week.
- Identifying the value of coins, make amounts and finding the total of two items

Understanding the World

- Developing an understanding about plant growth
- Naming different plants and labelling key parts
- Observing seasonal changes in Spring
- Exploring where in the world fruit and vegetables are grown and locate these on a map
- Explore similarities and differences within the local environment

Expressive Arts and Design

- Using materials and other resources to design and create
- Exploring musical instruments how these are played and the different sounds they make
- Recreating stories and experiences using small world and when in the role play area
- Creating a dance in response to music



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Supporting Learning at Home

☺ Learning Overview

An overview of learning will be sent home fortnightly, please read as this will give you a really good insight into what your child has been learning over a two-week period and how you can support at home. First overview will be sent Friday 28th April.

Maths:

Key Instant Recall Facts (KIRFS) sent home previously (also available on the FS page of the school website)

Mathletics: www.mathletics.co.uk

Reading:

School reading scheme book – Every Monday your child will bring a book home to read with you. This book should be discussed and read more than once before returning the following Monday.

Bug Club: www.activelearnprimary.co.uk

More books for your child to access. You can read one of these together at home over the weekend.

Word wallet – phase 4 words will be added once your child can read the majority of phase 3 and all of phase 2. All words in the wallet must be practised and learnt by sight (not sounding out).

Phonics play: www.phonicsplay.co.uk

Username dragon123
Password 2020elephants
Play any games within phase 2, 3 and 4

Purple Mash:

An online platform full of activities to support learning. Look out for tasks set by your child's class teacher. Username and password is in the back of the reading record.

Contact

For any queries or enquiries, please contact your child's teacher via the school office using the email address below:

office@pendragon.cambs.sch.uk

The office will forward your message on to the class teacher. If you have an urgent message, please continue to call the office.

Entry and exit procedures.

When dropping off, please say goodbye to your child at the Foundation Stage entrance gate. On collection, once the gate has been unlocked, you will need to wait in the Foundation Stage outdoor area near to your child's classroom door.



PE is on Monday and Wednesday

Please ensure that your child comes in to school wearing their PE kit, ready for PE on the days above. Please ensure your child wears shorts rather than jogging bottoms on a Wednesday in order to keep safe as they explore large apparatus.

If your child has long hair, please ensure it is tied back for PE. If your child has their ears pierced and is unable to remove their own stud earrings, these should be removed at home on PE days or micropore tape provided so they can cover them.

The Haven and wellies

We will continue to visit the Haven (our environmental area) every week. Your child will need a pair of wellies that can stay in school during term time.

Foundation Stage also love to play in mud, splash in puddles and sledge down hills on snowy days so wellies are an essential item to have in school.

Tuesday carousel

A morning of creative and investigative activities which might include cooking! Therefore, if your child has long hair please ensure it is tied up.

Recycling

The children are encouraged to make models and we need quite a bit of junk for them to do that, so we would be very grateful for any **small** boxes and tubes to keep them going. (no toilet rolls or egg boxes please)

Personal belongings in school

Your child should only come into school each day with their packed lunch (if they are not having a school meal), water bottle and reading record and book. All other resources that the children should require for their learning will be provided by the school.

No water bottles in book bags please, some books have been damaged due to this!