

Pendragon Community Primary School Autumn 2

Year 3 - Pumas and Jaguars

Year 4 – Panthers and Leopards

National Curriculum

As **Readers'** we will be reading the children's classic 'Charlotte's Web' to encourage reading for pleasure.



As **Writers** we will be learning and performing some monster themed poems. We will then be using Talk 4 Writing with to create an information text based on a mythical creature. We will be using the story 'The River Unicorn' as our inspiration.

As **Scientists** we will be learning about States of Matter to understand the different between a solid, a liquid and a gas. We will be learning about what causes a substance to change between those states. We will also be learning about the water cycle.

In **RE** we will be learning about how Christmas is celebrated around the world, including countries that are important to some of the children in our classes.

In **PSHCE** we will be growing our understanding of relationships with friends and family. We will be thinking about how to form and maintain healthy relationships, how to show empathy and how to manage conflict. We will also be focusing on anti-bullying during the week of 13th November.

Our topic this half term will be **History** based. We will be exploring the changing role of the monarchy in the UK by looking at a selection of different kings and queens and the changes that took place during their reigns.

Magnificent Monarchs



As Christmas approaches we will be getting into the Christmas spirit with various activities including Decoration Day.



As **Mathematicians** in Year 3 we will be focussing on written methods of addition and subtraction. We will then move on to look at statistics, then some geometry work on angles, 2D shapes and parallel and perpendicular lines. In Year 4 we will exploring factors, integer scaling and correspondence before moving on to multiplying and dividing by 10 and 100. We will also look at converting units of measure and using measure to estimate compare and calculate.

In **Design & Technology** we will be focusing on mechanisms and will be investigating links and levers before making our own 3D pop up cards.

As **Musicians** we will be developing our skills at playing the Glockenspiel. For Year 3 this will be Stage 1 and Year 4 will be working on Stage 2.

In **Computing** we will be using Purple Mash software to further our Coding skills.

In **PE** we will be developing our teamwork skills in (Outdoor Adventurous Activities) OAA and will be working on our dance ability.

As **Linguists** we will be learning to say what we and others have using the French verb 'avoir'. We will also be learning vocabulary linked Christmas.

Supporting Learning at Home

- Mathletics: www.mathletics.co.uk set on Fridays and due the following Thursday.
- Maths: Key Instant Recall Facts (KIRFs) will be sent home to learn each half term.
- ☼ Times Tables A target for the end of Year 3 is for children to know the 3, 4 and 8 times tables, and by the end of Year 4 is for children to know their multiplication tables up to 12 x 12. It is important for children to practise their tables regularly.
- © **Spelling** Children will be provided with a spelling activity to complete at home. This will be sent home on Fridays and should be returned on the following Thursday.
- © Reading book Ideally read daily for at least 10-15mins. Children should bring their reading record book to school each day.

Bugclub: www.activelearnprimary.co.uk

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Contact

For any queries or enquiries, please contact the school office using the email below:

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PE Lessons

Please ensure that your child comes in to school in their PE kit, ready for PE on the PE days below.

Pumas PE is on <u>Mondays</u> and <u>Thursdays</u>
Jaguars PE is on <u>Tuesdays</u> and <u>Thursdays</u>
Panthers PE is on <u>Tuesdays</u> and <u>Thursdays</u>.
Leopards PE is on <u>Wednesdays</u> and <u>Fridays</u>.

If your child has long hair, please ensure they have a hair band, as long hair must be tied back for PE. It is expected that all children can remove watches/earrings for PE. If your child 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.

Thank you for your support with this.

The Haven and wellies

Each class will have a weekly time slot to use the Haven. Wellies should be brought into and kept in school so that this space can be used throughout the year.

Personal belongings in school

Your child should only come into school each day with their packed lunch, water bottle and reading book. All other resources that the children require for their learning will be provided by school.