



Hello and welcome back to school! We have got lots planned for this year and I cannot wait to get started!

Autumn 2025 Class Newsletter

Sierra Leone

Class Teacher: Miss Taylor

Quick notices:

Reading logs: Mrs Castle and I will be checking reading logs each day. Please ensure that you are reading with your child at least three times a week and that this is recorded in their log.

Homework: Homework will be uploaded half termly, in the grid format, to Google Classroom. Parents/carers please then photograph or scan the children's homework tasks and upload them to Google Classroom. Or alternatively the children can hand it into me at school, or it can be emailed.

Spellings: Spellings will be handed out on Thursday and tested the following Thursday. These will be uploaded to Google Classroom, as well as strategies to help your child learn their spellings.

Allergies - We are a nut-free school. We politely request that you ensure your child does not bring nuts into school as a snack or in their packed lunches. This includes any food item that may contain nuts.

Snacks - please ensure your child brings a suitable fruit or vegetable snack for their break. Unsuitable items such as large chocolate bars and crisps are not considered to be a healthy snack and will be removed.

Important dates for Sierra Leone class:

September 5 th - School starts 19 th - Non-uniform day for Harvest 30 th - Meet the teacher 3.45pm	October 3 rd - Harvest Eucharist 17 th - School Photos 21 st - Forest School - Stone Age Day 21 st Parents' Evening 3.30pm - 6pm 22 nd - Parents' Evening - as above 24 th - Church Visit 27 th -31 st - Half term	November 3 rd - INSET DAY 6 th - Sierra Leone class assembly 11 th -Remembrance service in school 28 th - Christingle and Advent Eucharist	December 17 th - School disco 18 th - Pantomime and Chartwells Christmas lunch 19 th - Christmas Eucharist 19 th - Class Party (Christmas jumpers to be worn)
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If you have any concerns please feel free to speak with me via the class email sl@stmarysprimarypulborough.co.uk, or ring the school on 01798 872007.

Kind regards,
Miss Taylor
Sierra Leone Class Teacher

Curriculum

<p>English - 1st half term: We will be writing our own stories based on the book the 'Stone Age Boy'. 2nd half term: We will be studying and analysing poetry about rivers, before writing our own pieces of poetry.</p>	<p>Maths - 1st half term: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Place Value Addition and Subtraction 2nd half term: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Addition and Subtraction Multiplication and Division </p>	<p>Science - 1st half term: We will be learning all about rocks. In our very first science lesson, we will be making igneous and sedimentary chocolate rocks! 2nd half term: We will be learning about Forces and Magnets.</p>
<p>PE - 1st half term: We will be swimming every Monday. Mrs Burbidge will take the children for Hockey on a Friday morning. 2nd half term: Dance will start in the hall; the day will be confirmed closer to the time. Mrs Burbidge will be teaching Netball.</p>	<p>Spanish - The children will be taught Spanish each week by Miss Bell. During the Autumn term, they will cover: Greetings, saying how we're feeling, numbers up to 12, saying our age, naming colours and Christmas in Spain.</p>	<p>History - 1st half term: Stone Age! We will learn all about life during the Stone Age. We will explore this through our history lessons, as well as through a range of texts; including, 'The Stolen Spear'.</p>
<p>Geography - 2nd half term: Flow! During the second half term, we will be learning about rivers. This will include how rivers are formed and why rivers are so important to us.</p>	<p>Art - 1st half term - We will be exploring warm and cool colours. We will also investigate cave paintings, using 'The First Drawing' as a stimulus.</p>	<p>D&T - 2nd half term - We will be making water wheels during our Design and Technology lessons.</p>
<p>RE - 1st half term: We will be learning about the Creation Story, followed by Dharma. 2nd half term: We will be investigating the Incarnation.</p>	<p>Music - 1st half term: We will be learning a song called 'Let your Spirit Fly'. 2nd half term: We will be learning how to play the Glockenspiel.</p>	<p>Computing - 1st half term: We will be learning about how to be safe online. 2nd half term: We will be revisiting and extending our understanding of Coding.</p>
<p>RHE - 1st half term: We will be learning about medicinal drugs and tobacco. 2nd half term: We will be learning about bullying. Please note that all RHE lessons follow our curriculum and are age-appropriate.</p>		

