

Autumn 2026 Class Newsletter - Italy

Welcome back to school!

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

Class Teacher: Mrs Heasman-White

Quick notices:

Reading logs: Miss Q 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.

Allergies - we are a **nut-free** school. We politely request that you ensure your children do 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 chocolate bars and crisps are not considered to be a healthy snack and children will be asked to return these to their bags.

Communication - Please note that we will no longer be using Class Dojo to communicate with parents through messages. Instead, please email italy@stmarysprimarypulborough.co.uk, call the school or speak to me on the playground.

Important dates for Italy class:

September	October	November	December
18 th - Flu vaccinations	9 th - World Mental Health Day	3 rd - Parents' Evening	8 th - Nativity performance
19 th - Non-uniform day for Harvest Fayre	16 th - Individual School Photos	5 th Parents' Evening	9 th - Nativity performance
22 nd - Fairtrade Fortnight starts	23 rd - INSET day	6 th - Fireworks	16 th - Disco
25 th - Harvest Eucharist	26 th - 30 th - Half Term	13 th - Children in Need	17 th - Pantomime
26 th - Harvest Fayre		16 th - Odd socks for Mental Health	18 th - Last day of term - Eucharist, Christmas jumper day, Class party
30 th - Meet the Teacher @3:30		16 th - 20 th - Anti-bullying week	
		19 th - Italy Class Assembly	
		27 th - Christingle and Advent Eucharist	

Curriculum - Autumn 1 and 2

English - This year, we will be continuing our English learning through Drawing Club! We will be using a range of high-quality texts to help us. This year, we will be starting with <i>The Colour Monster</i>. Later in the year, we will transition into a different scheme of writing called 'Talk 4 Writing'.	Maths - 1st half term: - Place Value - Addition and Subtraction 2nd half term: - Addition and Subtraction - Shape We will also have daily fluency sessions, called Mastering Number, to boost our understanding of number facts and key principles of Maths.	Science - 1st half term: Animals including Humans - We will be describing how animals grow, understanding our basic needs to survive and discussing the importance of exercise and food. 2nd half term: - Seasonal changes - We will observe changes across the four seasons, and - Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons.
History - 1st half term: Superheroes - We will compare and contrast historical superheroes, such as: - Emmeline Pankhurst - Martin Luther King - Mary Seacole - Matthew Henson - Neil Armstrong	RHE - 1st half term: - Physical health and wellbeing - Fun times We will learn about diets, celebrations and games around the world; as well as how to keep safe in the sunshine. 2nd half term: - Keeping safe and managing risk	PE - 1st half term: Inside PE (MONDAY) - Dance Outdoor PE (TUESDAY) - Core strength and balance 2nd half term: Inside PE (MONDAY) - Gymnastics Outdoor PE (WEDNESDAY) - Traveling and agility
Geography - 2nd half term: Journeys - We will explore our local area by asking and answering simple questions. We will also use books and other sources of information to help us.	Art - 1st half term - Pop Art - We will be generating art in the style of Andy Warhol and Roy Lichtenstein.	D&T - 2nd half term - Cooking and nutrition - We will be learning about where food comes from and understand what makes a healthy diet.
RE - 1st half term: Creation - We will discuss the question, 'Who made the world?' 2nd half term: Incarnation - Why does Christmas matter to Christians?	Music - 1st half term: Charanga - We will be learning a new song called, 'Hey You!' 2nd half term: We will be practising and performing our songs for our Christmas performance!	Computing - 1st half term: - Online Safety 2nd half term: - Coding

If you have any questions or concerns, my door is always open. You are welcome to catch me on the playground, call the school on 01798 872007, or email me via italy@stmarysprimarypulborough.co.uk

Best wishes,
Mrs Heasman-White
Italy Class Teacher