



Autumn 2022 Class Newsletter

Ireland

Class Teacher: Mrs Benson

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!

Quick notices:

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

Homework: A Homework grid will be uploaded half-termly to Google Classroom. Parents/carers please then **photograph or scan** the children's homework tasks and upload them to Google Classroom.

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

Swimming: This is on a Tuesday every week up until half term. Please provide permission for your child to wear goggles to the Office staff.

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 or sesame seeds.

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 for break. Lunchboxes should be balanced.

Knowledge organiser - You will find this on our class webpage. It goes through the knowledge that the children will need for our theme.

Important dates for Ireland class:

September

16th - Non-uniform day for Harvest Fayre - bring chocolate or a bottle.

27th - Individual school photos

28th - Meet the Teacher
3.30pm in school

29th - In school poetry visit from Joshua Seigal

30th - Worship at Church



October

5th - Flu Spray

6th - National Poetry Day

10th - Mental Health Day

21st - Inset Day

24th - 28th - Half term

31st - Return to school



November

8th - Parents' Evening
(3:30-6:00)

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14th - 18th - Anti-bullying week.

25th November
Ireland Class
Assembly (9am)



December

15th - Christmas Lunch

16th - Christmas Jumper Day and Eucharist

19th - 2nd January -
Christmas Break.



Curriculum

English - 1- half term: We will be writing instructions based on the book, 'How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth' Story writing inspired by 'Stone Age Boy'. 2- half term: We will be adapting a familiar story into a play script. Our focus will be 'Stick Man'. We will also study and analyse poetry about rivers. Finally, we will write our own pieces of poetry.	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 	Science - 1- half term: We will be learning all about rocks. In our very first science lesson, we made igneous and sedimentary chocolate rocks! 2- half term: During the second half term we will be learning about Forces and Magnets.
PE - (Physical Education) 1- half term: We will be swimming every Tuesday . Mrs Burbidge will take the children for Hockey on a Friday morning. 2- half term: Dance will start in the hall, the day will be confirmed closer to the time. Mrs Burbidge will be teaching Netball.	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 finding out about Christmas in Spain.	History - 1- 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 'Stig of the Dump'.
Geography - 2- 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.	Art - 1- half term - We will be exploring warm and cool colours. We will also investigate cave paintings, using 'The First Drawing' as a stimulus.	D&T - 2- half term - We will be making water wheels during our Design and Technology lessons.
RE - (Religious Education) 1- half term: We will be learning about the Creation Story, followed by Dharma. 2- half term: We will be investigating Incarnation.	Music - 1- half term: We will be learning a song called 'Let your Spirit Fly'. 2- half term: We will be learning how to play the glockenspiel.	Computing - 1- half term: We will be revisiting and extending our understanding of coding. 2- half term: We will be learning about how to be safe online.
RHE - (Relationship & Health Education) 1- half term: We will be learning about Drugs and Tobacco. 2- half term: We will be learning about bullying. Please note that all RHE lessons follow our curriculum and are age-appropriate.		

If you have any concerns please feel free to speak with me via the class email: ireland@stmarysprimarypulborough.co.uk, or ring the school on 01798 872007.

Kind regards,
 Mrs Benson
 Ireland Class Teacher

