



P.P.S. Ash Class

January 2022
Spring Term

“You are what you eat” and “All Aboard”

Dear Parents

Welcome back! After a busy Christmas term and an exciting Christmas holiday, we are raring to go in Ash Class.

We begin the term with our unit “You are what you eat” which links learning in Geography, Science and PSHE, encouraging children to think about where they come from, what the landscape is like, what grows here and how that might be different around the globe. They will consider how they learn best and stay healthy and active and I am looking forward to our “fill-up fortnight” when all the children in class will be invited to have breakfast in class.

This unit feeds into our second block of learning after half term which will focus on our world, learning geographical facts and landmarks.

In English we are reading “The Disgusting Sandwich” and will be visiting the bakery in town as well as making sandwiches, writing instructions and developing our own writing to tell stories. After half term we will be looking at a traditional Marathi folk tale called “Ekki Dokki” as well as writing non fiction texts linking to our work on our world. We will be writing our own non fiction texts and writing chronologically.

In Maths we will be continuing to work on addition and subtraction, place value and multiples of 2, 5 and 10. We will be continuing to learn to count, read and write numbers to twenty and higher.

Our Art and DT will take on a global theme across the term, with Aboriginal art, African Kente cloth and printing to make a collaborative piece of art. Children will investigate which materials print well and how they can create different effects. The children will be thinking about their use of colour, making new colours and investigating how best to use a paintbrush to create different effects.

In Science we will be thinking about the changes in the seasons, how plants grow and some of the animals and insects that we start to see around us as the weather warms up. Our trip to Goodwood is the 13th January and we will be seeing the lambs, cattle and pigs as well as learning about the crops they grow.

We will be spending a lot of our outdoor learning time in the allotments and polytunnel planting up for the next season, so please ensure that children come in old clothes for forest school/outdoor learning.

In P.E. the children will also be working on dance and gymnastics and moving to different music including “The Hall of the Mountain King”, “Flight of the Bumblebee” and music from “Hamilton” the musical.



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Weekly reminders:

P.E.—Wednesday

Forest School/Outdoor learning—
Thursday

Home learning is set on a Friday.

Fill-up Fortnight (no cost) 10th to the 24th January 2021 breakfast provided everyday except 13th Jan.

Thank you,

Mrs Wiggs and Mrs Durrant.

Please do help us by reading with your child at least five times a week. This is a great time to spend together and gives them a chance to show you how they are developing as readers. If they do not want to read their school book, ANY reading is fine, whether that is the newspaper, a magazine, a recipe or a book from home. The benefits of children enjoying reading and being encouraged to read are well documented and we hope that, with your support, these children will develop a love of reading.

All the home learning links to learning in class so please encourage your child to “have a go” on their own and then talk you through what they have done. This is really important for embedding good learning habits which will be used across the school.

Goodwood Farm visit— 13 January 2021

Bakery visit— 10 January 2021

Visit to Newlands House—24 January 2021

PS—Please do visit the class blog as well as school social media channels, for more information about our learning as well as examples of brilliant work!

Ash Class blog—

<https://ashclasspetworth.edublogs.org/>