



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/>