



Antingham & Southrepps  
Primary School



**Antingham & Southrepps Primary School Curriculum Information Letter- September 2023**


**Year Reception/Nursery**

**Frida Kahlo Class**

Dear Parents/Carers,

We would like to welcome you back to school and hope that you had a happy and eventful summer break. In this letter you will find an overview of the work that your child will be completing during this Autumn Term 2023 in school. Please find opportunities to support your child's learning by doing additional research on new topics (pre-tutoring).

Your child will also have Homework Challenges to allow them to explore this term's curriculum in exciting ways with you at home. It is really important to read/share books daily with your child. We encourage children to read daily for 10-15 minutes each day. Reading books must be in school every day whether you read at home or not.

<b>Value</b>	The core value this term is: <b><u>Kindness</u></b>  We will be learning how to be kind with our peers in class and throughout the day.
<b>English</b>	<b>Reading:</b> During this term we will be reading the Gingerbread man alongside many other books related to our topic.  <b>Writing:</b> The children will have various opportunities in their literacy lessons and in their environment to develop their mark marking skills and their phonics.  <b>Core Text:</b> The Gingerbread Man By Mara Alperin 
<b>Maths</b>	This term, we will begin to match and sort objects, talk about measure and patterns and develop our knowledge of the numbers 1,2,3,4 and 5. Also, we will begin to explore circles and shapes, focusing on shapes with four sides.
<b>Computing</b>	We will begin to explore the basics of how computers work, looking at what a keyboard is and how to interact with a mouse.
<b>PE &amp; Sports</b>	Our PE days are: <b><u>Monday</u></b> and <b><u>Wednesday</u></b>  Children will need to come in with their P.E kit on. Please could they wear a red t-shirt or white t-shirt, with black leggings/shorts and a pair of trainers.  Parents are asked not to send children to school wearing jewellery during PE days. This is on safety grounds as rings, necklaces, earrings etc. can be hazardous for both the wearer and others. If they come into school with earrings on a PE, they will be asked to take them out or they will be covered with tape.  What will the children be learning:

	<p><b>Autumn 1:</b> Introduction to P.E: The children will learn to run, jump, hop, skip, balance, throw and catch. They will also learn how to work safely, as well as cooperate and communicate with others.</p> <p><b>Autumn 2:</b> Dance: The children will learn various actions, dynamics and think about how to use space effectively. They will also learn how to respect others through dance, building their confidence and independence.</p>
<b>Bushcraft</b>	We have Bushcraft every <b>Monday</b> afternoon, please ensure your child has a waterproof playsuit. We go out in all weathers for bushcraft and in our garden too.
<b>PSHE/RSE</b>	For PSHE this term, we will look at how to keep safe by following our rules and routines. We will also start to explore how to stay healthy by making healthy choices with food and exercise. Finally, we will begin to focus on responsibility and how to show this in class.
<b>R.E</b>	This year, we will be exploring with Reception what Christianity is through lines of enquiry. This terms enquiry question is 'Why is the word God so important to Christians?'
<b>Attendance &amp; Punctuality</b>	This year we have a school target of <b>96%</b> for all pupils.
<b>Helping your child at home</b>	<p>It is very important that your child attends school every day that they are fit and well. Please check our website or telephone the school office if you are unsure about whether to send your child into school or not.</p> <p>Pupils with attendance of less than 90% are regarded by the Government as having Persistent Absence and pupils with attendance in danger of falling to this level will be invited into school for support and an action plan (to restore their attendance to a level that will allow them to achieve well at school).</p> <p>Pupils with COVID symptoms or those who have been requested to isolate by the school or NHS should not attend school until the date agreed for return (3 days for pupils).</p>
<b>Important dates for this term</b>	<p><b>September 2023</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Monday 18th September 2023</b>- Jeans for Genes Day</li> <li>▪ <b>Thursday 28th September 2023</b>- School photos -Individual and siblings</li> </ul> <p><b>October 2023</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Tuesday 31st October 2023</b>- Halloween Disco</li> </ul> <p><b>November 2023</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Tuesday 17th November 2023</b>- Children in Need</li> <li>▪ <b>Tuesday 21st &amp; Thursday 23rd November 2023</b>- Parents Evening</li> </ul> <p><b>December 2023</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Friday 1st December 2023</b>- School Christmas Fair</li> <li>▪ <b>Thursday 7th December 2023</b>- Whole School Christmas performance</li> <li>▪ <b>Tuesday 12th December 2023</b>- Beauty and the beast Christmas pantomime by Purple Dream Productions.</li> <li>▪ <b>Wednesday 13th December 2023</b> – Whole school Christmas lunch and jumper day</li> </ul>
<b>School Trips</b>	<p>We have planned to go to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Wednesday 1st November 2023</b> - The Bug Parc (<i>Nowhere Lane, Lenwade, Norfolk, NR9 5PD</i>). This will be an exciting opportunity to look at 200 species of invertebrates, the children will be able to handle some invertebrates. There will also be a gift shop available if you want to bring money for your little ones.</li> <li>▪ <b>Thursday 16th November 2023</b> – Whole school visit to the Sea Life Aquarium Great Yarmouth (<i>Marine Parade, Great Yarmouth NR30 3AH</i>). The children will be able to see creatures from the ocean and learn about how to keep our ocean safe.</li> <li>▪ <b>Thursday 14th December 2023</b> – Whole school visit to the Hippodrome Circus (<i>43A St George's Rd, Great Yarmouth NR30 2EU</i>). This is a very exciting opportunity to see some amazing talent, singers and acrobats.</li> </ul>

<b>Show &amp; Tell</b>	<p>Our show and tell day has now changed to Thursday afternoons. We will have themed show and tell each week, it is a voluntary activity for children to share things that inspire and excite them. Please only bring what is on the list below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b><u>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2023</u></b>- Your favourite toy</li> <li>▪ <b><u>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2023</u></b>- Bring a natural object into class that you find amazing</li> <li>▪ <b><u>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2023</u></b>- Share a favourite tune</li> <li>▪ <b><u>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2023</u></b>- your favourite shoes</li> <li>▪ <b><u>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2023</u></b>-Bring your favourite family recipe into school</li> <li>▪ <b><u>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2023</u></b>- Bring a photo of your favourite holiday</li> <li>▪ <b><u>Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2023</u></b>- Something that makes you happy</li> <li>▪ <b><u>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2023</u></b>- a painting or drawing you created</li> <li>▪ <b><u>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2023</u></b>- Your favourite animal or blanket</li> <li>▪ <b><u>Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2023</u></b>- A photo of your pet (if you have one)</li> <li>▪ <b><u>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2023</u></b>- Your favourite Christmassy item</li> </ul>
<b>Curriculum Information</b>	<p>This first term, our topic will be called ‘Let’s Explore’, we will explore our class environment and school grounds so that the children can begin to feel settled and happy in their new surroundings. We will learn about the local environment and find out about places the children have visited on holiday. We will look at and create maps for journeys.</p> <p><b>Supporting your child at home</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Use <a href="#">Google Earth</a> to explore the locality.</li> <li>▪ Go on a walk around your local community and talk about the things that you see.</li> <li>▪ Encourage your child to talk about the activities they enjoy doing at school.</li> </ul> <p>In the second term, our topic will be ‘Marvellous Machines’, we will learn about technology that is part of our daily lives. We will explore various machines, learn about how machines help us and find out about how machines have changed and developed over time. We will learn about products that use electricity to make them work and explore magnetic and non-magnetic materials.</p> <p><b>Supporting your child at home</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Talk about the machines and technology you use in your everyday lives.</li> <li>• Look for things in the home that are powered by electricity.</li> <li>• Look for items that are powered by batteries</li> </ul>
<b>Homework</b>	<p>We encourage children to complete as many of these challenges as they can during the span of the term. The challenges supplement, consolidate and support your child’s curriculum learning in class and give you a valuable opportunity to work with your child on the same work they are completing in school.</p> <p>Send your homework completed either into school or take a picture and place on tapestry for us to share to the class. The children will receive dojo points for completing their homework.</p>

If you have any questions, please telephone the school office and I will make arrangements to contact you by phone or in person.

Kind regards,  
Miss Fox