



Puffins Newsletter

September 2017



Dear Parents and Guardians,

We hope you have had a wonderful six weeks off! The children have come back to school with positive attitudes and are eager to learn new things.

Our topic this half term is Burps, Bottoms and Bile! We will be learning all about the human body; how it works, the different parts of the body and all the gross bits in-between! We will also be studying ourselves in detail. Thinking about the way we look and how we resemble our parents.

We are focusing on getting fitter as a whole school this year and have been very successful so far with doing our 'daily mile'. Children aren't expected to run the full mile but some children are extremely enthusiastic and give it a good go! If your child doesn't have sensible shoes to walk, jog or run the mile could you ensure they bring a sensible pair with them to school.

The class attendance reward has also changed. Instead of receiving a trophy for the highest attendance each class will receive a certain amount of money depending on what percentage attendance they have for the week - the higher our attendance the more money we receive! The class then decide what they want to spend their money on and work out how much they need to save up! Rewards can be anything from ordering a Dominos for lunch, buying new toys for the class or going on a trip to the cinema, the children get to decide!

Thank you for your support.

Miss Higginbottom ☺
Class Teacher

PE

Our P.E days are **Tuesday** and **Wednesday**. Please ensure that your child has their full P.E kit on these days. Children are welcome to keep their kit in school for the week.

Earrings must be removed before school on these days. Children with long hair must have it tied back and suitable trainers may be required.

Reading

Reading with your child is one of the best ways to develop their literacy skills. A little reading each day will go a very long way! Please sign their reading diary to let us know how they are doing.

Homework

Homework is given out on a Friday and is due back the following Wednesday. Homework will mostly be on education city. If your child needs help I am more than happy to help them and there is a lunchtime club in which children can complete their homework if you do not have computer access.

Times Tables

Learning times tables is very important. They help us in almost every area of maths. One way we practice in school is by singing them. Feel free to use these songs at home. If you search on Youtube 'Have fun teaching counting by...' the videos we use will come up. We need to practice often and become super stars!