



**COUNTESS
GYTHA**
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Countess Gytha Primary School Curriculum Information

Year

**Pendragon Class
Y1/2**

Term

Autumn 2024

Dear Parents

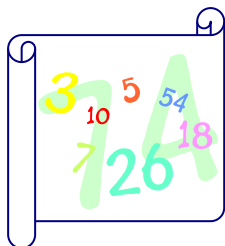
This letter is designed to provide key information about learning this term.

SUBJECT	CONTENT
English	In Pendragon Class, we will be learning how to structure our sentences correctly with capital letters, full stops, and finger-spaces. Children will use the pronoun, 'I' correctly and write exciting stories using adjectives and expanded noun phrases. Throughout the term, children will use exclamation marks in writing as well as conjunctions such as 'and' and 'because'. Each child will be able to write stories, instructions and poems. In addition, children will develop phonics knowledge through the Little Wandle synthetic phonics scheme. Children will then apply their phonics knowledge in our writing and reading to be able to read out loud to others and to answer questions about books and extracts of texts and make inferences about the text.
Mathematics	In our maths lessons, we will be learning how to count and sequence numbers within 100. We will understand the place value of 1 and 2 digit numbers and to use number lines, hundred squares and practical resources to count, sequence and order numbers. Children will learn to count in multiples of 2, 5 and 10 and to add and subtract 1 and 2 digit numbers. In addition to this, children should be able to identify the features and properties of 2d and 3d shapes.
Science	We will be learning about everyday materials in science this term. The children will work scientifically by asking questions, using observational skills, performing simple comparative and fair tests, recording their findings and using their observations and data to draw conclusions and answer enquiry based questions.
Computing	In computing, we will be learning to program the Bee Bots using algorithms and investigating sequences in programming. For our multimedia work, we will learn how to add text to an image and how to record an image on the iPad before creating an interactive story.
PSHE	In our PSHE lessons this term, we will be learning about ourselves and the relationships we have with others.
Geography	Linking in with our topic of The Great Fire of London, we will be learning about our capital city, London. We will be understanding geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of London and Queen Camel. We will be discussing key human features, including: city, town and village. We will also be using our geographical skills and fieldwork studying maps of London.
History	For our topic this term, we will be learning about The Great Fire of London as an event beyond living memory that is significant. We will learn about the lives of significant individuals in the past, who have contributed to national and international achievements (Samuel Pepys and Charles II). We will also study where The Great Fire of London fits on a historical timeline.
RE	In RE, we will be learning about the Christian story of creation and why Christians worship God and discover more about their holy book—the Bible. We will look particularly at why communities celebrate Harvest each year.
Music	In our music lessons, we will be learning to make our own beat and rhythm; to use simple musical instruments and to learn songs and sing as part of a group.
D & T + Art	Linking with our topic of The Great Fire of London, we will be using junk-modelling to create sculptures of London houses during 1666.
PE	In Pendragon, we will have weekly PE lesson led by Mr Bunter and weekly yoga lessons until October half-term. We will be learning to work safely and cooperatively, to work with a partner or in a group. This will be taught through multi-skills, such as running, jumping, balancing and hopping. Additionally, children will participate in a weekly yoga session, which will help to strengthen core muscles, as well as aid in flexibility and stability.

Welcome Back!

Welcome to Pendragon Class! I have thoroughly enjoyed my first week with such a lovely class and cannot wait for the exciting opportunities that lie ahead. During this term, Ms Martin will be supporting the class Monday-Tuesday and Mrs Feierabend will be working in Pendragon on Wednesday- Fridays. Each week, Yoga will be on Wednesdays and P.E with Mr Bunter on Fridays.

Homework



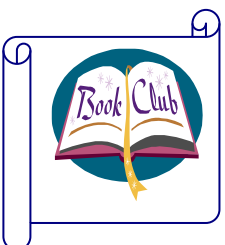
MATHS

Times Tables Olympics practice sheets given weekly on Fridays.



SPELLING

Your child will bring home a list of spellings on Wednesday, which they will need to complete across the week. Spellings are handed back in on a Tuesday, when the children are assessed on their spelling homework. At the beginning of Autumn term, we focus on the spelling of commonly used words that the children should spell accurately. We will also be practising spellings, which link to the phonics sounds that we are learning in the class that work.



READING

We recommend you listen to your child read at least 4 times a week.

When you have heard your child read, please comment in their reading record. When your child has completed their book, we will support them in changing their book for a new one. The class staff will ensure we listen to each child read at least weekly.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- ◆ P.E is on a Wednesday and a Friday afternoon. Your child will need to keep their PE kit in school daily, as they will change in school.
- ◆ Homework will be sent home every **Wednesday** and is due back the following **Tuesday**.
 - ⇒ Please can you make sure your child's jumper and PE kit is named to avoid any confusion in the classroom.
 - ⇒ Please ensure your child's reading book and record at in their book bag each day.
 - ⇒ Please make sure your child has a named water bottle in school every day.
 - ⇒ Please ensure your child has a coat in school regardless of the weather. We all know how changeable it can be!

**Thank you so much for such a wonderful start,
The Pendragon Team**