

Hello and Welcome to the Autumn term 2021

We are delighted to welcome you all back to school after a challenging year and are looking forward to getting to know you all throughout the next academic year. We have an exciting term ahead with a stimulating and creative curriculum planned.

Update on the Curriculum

We started our term with our whole school text –the 'Colour Monster' written by Anna Llenas. In class, the children have begun to explore their feelings and emotions. We have read the book and have been discussing all about our world and who is in it. This has helped us to think about friendships and working together as a class.

In **Literacy**, we are deepening our understanding of a text by using the same book for both Reading and Writing lessons. This allows us to fully explore the language used in the book, enriching our vocabulary and developing our understanding of story structure. We have begun reading 'The BFG' and have been looking at how the author uses description to make the story more interesting for the reader.

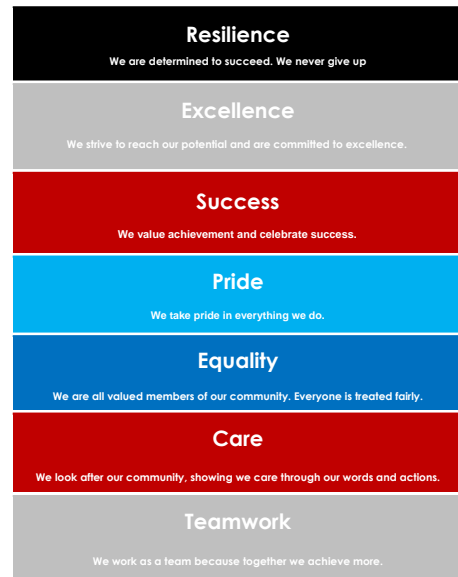
In **Maths** we are consolidating our understanding of number and place value this term by securing our knowledge of numbers from 10-100. We will also be developing our addition and subtraction skills through 10, exploring the most efficient methods. Please make sure that your child is logging in to *Times table Rock Stars* every week.

In **Science**, we will be investigating rocks and soils. As scientists, we will be comparing and grouping together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties. We will also look at how fossils are formed and how soils are made from rocks and organic matter.

In **History**, we will be learning about the Stone Age through to the Iron Age. We will focus on the evidence that historians have discovered and how this has helped to explain how people lived during this time. We will also focus on the changes that took place from the Stone Age to the Iron Age.

Our Core Values

At Paxton, our Core Values weave a thread across all aspects of school life. They are displayed in every classroom and provide the children and staff with a common language which binds us together and creates articulate, confident leaders of tomorrow.



Work, Rest and Play

- Arrive on time and have a good night's sleep
- Please arrive in your P.E kit **Tuesday and Fridays**
- **Please always bring a labelled water bottle**
- Reading books/ records must be brought in to school every day.

Homework Expectations

Reading

Children should read at home every night and sign their reading records to confirm that they have done so. Please ask your child questions about what they are reading and encourage them to talk about their books to make sure they are improving their understanding and comprehension skills.

Parent Homework Workshop: Friday 17th 8:45-9:15

This will be to discuss homework and an opportunity to answer any questions you may have.

Children are asked to bring a bottle of water into their classroom to remain hydrated during lesson

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading
Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths
English	English	Spanish	English	English
PSHE	Music	Handwriting	RE	Computing
Science	PE	History	Art/DT	PE