



Sycamore Class Termly Newsletter

Autumn 1 2021

Starts 8th September - Ends 22nd October



Autumn Term Important Dates

Thursday each week is
PE day

28th Sept (afternoon) -
Above Bounds Theatre
Company workshop

w/b 18th October - Class
Exhibition & Viking
Banquet

Please check Class Dojo
regularly to be informed
of any upcoming dates.

Welcome to Sycamore class! We hope that you have had a lovely summer holiday.

This newsletter will include information about our learning this term as well as the routines to put your mind at ease and ensure that we have the best start to the school year.

Our learning this term...

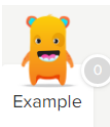
Once we have settled into our new class of Year 4 and Year 5, we will be starting our topic, **Traders and Raiders**. The children will be learning about the Saxons and the Vikings, as they invaded Britain after the Romans had left in 410AD. They will design ships, swords and shields and learn what it was like to be a Saxon and a Viking during the Dark Ages. We will be inviting parents to join us for our Class Exhibition and Viking Banquet at the end of the term.

Important Information

Home reading - Children will soon be given a new reading record and book to share with you. We ask that you write a comment in your child's reading record each time they have read, and ensure that this is brought into school with their book **every day**. This is important as we will change these when needed rather than on a set day. Once they have filled a page in their record, they will earn extra dojos with our home reading challenge (Dojos = prizes!).

PE - Our PE day will be on a **Thursday**. Your child should arrive in their PE kit. They can wear trainers and a tracksuit or jogging bottoms and a sweatshirt in order to be warm on colder days.

Homework and spellings - Homework will be set from w/b 13th September and spellings will be sent home to practise weekly. I will update you on this on Dojo.



Dojos - Your child will be rewarded using class dojos. As you know, we also use this to share pictures and group or personal messages with parents/carers.

Attendance - Please make sure that your child arrives at school on time - 8.45am in the main playground so that they are ready to learn and don't miss the start of lessons. Children regular attendance at school is vital for them to make progress in their learning. Our school target attendance percentage is 96% +. If your child's attendance drops below this rate, it will be impacting on their learning and the progress they make. Rewards/certificates are given to the class with the best attendance each week. Individual children with attendance at 98%+ are rewarded certificates, book vouchers and prizes.

Thank you for taking the time to read our class newsletter. If you have any more questions, feel free to speak to me at our class entrance or send a dojo message.

Thank you for your support and I hope that you have an enjoyable first term.

Mr Bright, Miss Summers, Mrs Kevern & Miss Phillips

Sycamore Class Team - Year 4/5

