



Weekly Update



Next week's health and fitness lessons – additional/specific clothing may be required for some/all of these

Class	Monday 23 rd	Tuesday 24 th	Wednesday 25 th	Thursday 26 th	Friday 27 th
Puffer fish					Last Day of Term. Pupils finish at 12:30pm
Seahorse	Class Trip				Last Day of Term. Pupils finish at 12:30pm
Hammerhead		Class Trip			Last Day of Term. Pupils finish at 12:30pm
Piranha				Class Trip	Last Day of Term. Pupils finish at 12:30pm

Upcoming dates:

Friday 27th March – Last day of term, Easter activities and curriculum presentation with parents/carers for Lower School; Rap presentations & Easter activities for Upper School. Parent-carer/Teacher consultations 10am-12 noon



Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April – Easter holiday

Monday 13th April – INSET Day

Tuesday 14th April – Pupils back to school

Monday 4th May – Bank Holiday Monday

Dear Parents/Carers,

Red Nose Day

It has been a fantastic end to the week with all classes participating in Red Nose Taskmaster challenges! From making and throwing paper aeroplanes, throwing teabags into a cup, through to putting on a red nose with no hands, each pupil showed great resilience and a sense of fun. It was wonderful to see a great range of red outfits too.



Parent/Carer – Teacher Appointments March 27th

A reminder that if you haven't booked your appointment with the class teacher to do so as soon as possible please. As this is taking place at the school rather than the church hall, we only have the capacity for parents/carers on site – not siblings I'm afraid, due to Health and Safety. We look forward to welcoming you to Seadown with a range of activities for you to join in with:

Puffer Fish & Seahorse classes: 10am – Curriculum presentation at 10am (Scott), followed by parent appointments and time for you to join your child in class for a range of Easter activities.

Hammerhead class: 10:00-10:15 am – Presentation of raps, followed by parent appointments and time for you to join your child in class for a range of Easter activities.

Piranha class 10:15-10:30am - – Presentation of raps, followed by parent appointments and time for you to join your child in class for a range of Easter activities.

Uniform

I would like to extend our thanks to all the families who actively supported our uniform policy when this needed greater focus this week. It makes such a difference to the outcome when we are all working together, thank you. We were very impressed with how smart the pupils have been looking.

Home-School communications

Over the past few weeks we have held many parent meetings for a variety of reasons. It has been wonderful to work together with you to support your child and as a result of effective home-school liaison, we can see clear progress on a range of different matters. Being a small school, we are proud of our individual approach and work with families as this approach sees great results for the pupils.

Meningitis B

As you may have seen in the press, there has been an outbreak of meningococcal disease group B (MenB) in Kent. Sadly, this includes two young people who have died. The UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) is leading the response, and local Public Health teams are working closely with UKHSA and local partners. There are currently **no cases of this infection in Brighton & Hove and West Sussex**. Anyone identified as a close contact will be asked to take a single dose of an antibiotic. Close contacts of cases do not need to stay away from nursery or school and can continue with their usual routine.

Vaccines

Babies born in 2015 or later should have received the MenB vaccine as part of the routine NHS vaccination programme. If you are unsure whether your child (born in 2015 or later) has had the MenB vaccine, check your child's **'Red Book'** or **contact your GP practice** to book it in.

Most children born before 2015, who are now over 10-years-old, will **not** have had the MenB vaccine as part of their usual childhood vaccinations. The separate meningitis vaccine, given in school in year 9 or 10, protects against MenACWY and does **not** protect against MenB.

Signs and symptoms

It's important to be aware of the signs and symptoms of the infection. Symptoms to look out for and updates on the local situation can be found here: [Meningitis cases in Kent](#)

National information can be found here: [What is meningitis? Symptoms, risks and how to protect yourself – UK Health Security Agency](#)

Best Wishes,

Sam Norton, Headteacher



Spotlight of class learning updates

Puffer Fish Updates

This week Pufferfish Class have been reading Charlie and the Chocolate Factory as part of our English Lessons. For our topic work, we have been learning about Viking Gods.

Seahorse Updates

This week, Seahorse class have been learning all about perimeter in Maths. We have been reading our class book, Holes, in English. We have been investigating gravity in our Science lessons and learning all about Tornadoes in Geography. Today we took part in Taskmaster challenges and designed our own red noses for Comic Relief.

Hammerhead Updates

This half term, Hammerhead have been learning all about volcanoes. On Monday, we built our own volcanoes and set them off! We have also used biscuits to find out about tectonic plates.



Piranha Updates

Piranha Class have been helping to plan some activities and gather resources for Red Nose Day. They have also been looking at statistics within maths and making presentations on personal interests ready to do a mock run of their speaking and listening exam

School Values Awards

Piranha – ML – Resilience – for being polite, respectful and working well in his one to one Maths tutoring.

Swimming Certificates

Duckling Award – FW, BBP, NS and MyM

Tadpole Award – TR, JuM

National Curriculum Award – PC, LHT, FH, JoM

Red Nose Day Taskmaster Certificates

Puffer fish – For everyone completing the nose in the cup task.

Seahorse – EH – for throwing a teabag closest to the target.

NS – for throwing the furthest plane.

FH – for building the tallest tower.

Hammerhead – For all participating so well and being creative.

CB – for winning the taskmaster task. Well Done!

Piranha – JP – for putting a red nose on with no hands in 18 seconds.

FaB – for getting a red nose in the cup from the furthest distance.