



Weekly Update



October

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

Class	Monday 28 th	Tuesday 29 th	Wednesday 30 th	Thursday 1 st	Friday 2 nd
Puffer fish					
Seahorse	Forest School				
Hammerhead	Swimming				
Piranha	Swimming				

Upcoming dates:

Monday 28th September – Hammerhead and Piranha Class Swimming Lessons

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Building Updates

It is great to see the extension progressing week on week! Upstairs rooms (classroom and intervention room) and corridor have been decorated and carpet has been laid. Last few bits to be done in these rooms including fitting Clevertouch screens and they are pretty much complete. We have begun to plan furniture for these (and downstairs rooms). Plastering is complete throughout and flooring has been laid in the new downstairs toilets. The staffroom has fitted kitchen furniture and rooms have doors fitted now. Plumbing next! We are on track for the project to be completed by the end of October.

Beanie's Birthday

On 22nd September it was school dogs Beanie's birthday. Beanie has now turned 2 and he had a very spoilt week with a party with his doggy friends on Monday. Then, lots of lovely treats and extra hugs from school staff and pupils on Tuesday. As you can see from the picture, he has been completely confused by all the attention.



Macmillan Coffee Afternoon



It was wonderful to see parents and families join us for the Macmillan coffee afternoon, thank you so much! The weather was beautiful allowing us to make the most of the garden. We were so proud of the pupils with both their baking and the jobs they undertook today alongside the lovely playing and social skills we could see. We were able to make £186.79 for MacMillan! Thank you for all your support.



Sports leader elections:

Over the past few weeks, our pupils have been campaigning and making speeches to their classes. We are so proud of everyone that took part and are pleased to announce the following sports leaders for each class:

Pufferfish: JuM

Seahorse: PC

Hammerhead: JoM

Piranha: JP

Each pupil will be working towards a level 1 qualification in sports leadership. They will drive the next phase of sports across Seadown school. We can't wait for them to get started.

Horse riding

We are really proud of the progress and engagement of our pupils attending horse riding/management at Cissbury Stables. Everyone is learning new skills or refining and improving from previous sessions! Well done everyone!



Spotlight on class learning updates

Puffer Fish Updates – Pufferfish have been learning more about the life of Roald Dahl and what inspired him to create his characters. They read about his ambitions as a child and thought about what they would like to do when they grow up.

Seahorse Updates – This week Seahorse class have been learning about the rainforest and the animals that live there. We have been working on our place value in Maths and had a fantastic afternoon in the sunshine at the forest on Monday.

Hammerhead Updates – Hammerhead class have been working on their own comic books this week - we have designed characters and written some dialogue. We have learned why we have different seasons, and taken a trip to the shops to discover different kinds of self-hygiene products. The class book for Hammerhead this half term is Guardians of the Galaxy, and our current topics are related to this. In English and Art, we will be creating our own comic books, and in Science we will be exploring space. After half term our topic will move on to RE, where we will learn about stories and traditions about winter from various religions and cultures. Our Science topic will move on to learning about cells and microorganisms, linking with this half term's Life Skills topic of personal hygiene. Next half term this will change to learning about personal

finance and budgeting, linking to our Maths work on place value, sequences and addition and subtraction. In computing, we will learn about hardware and software, and our PSHE will cover "Being Me in My World" and "Celebrating Difference".

Piranha Updates – This week in Piranha class, students have engaged with a range of topics such as building upon linear and non-linear sequences in Maths to build foundations before moving into our next topic of Algebra. They have also learned to engage in meaningful discussion and share their opinions in response to letters and speeches in English, and were introduced to digestive enzymes in Science. One of the other key areas of focus for Piranha this week has been readily preparing for Macmillan Coffee Afternoon. Students have enthusiastically prepared numerous activities and created effective posters for the event, enjoyed a shopping trip out into the local community to gather ingredients and baked delicious sweets ready for all to enjoy. Planning Macmillan Coffee Afternoon has enabled students to develop key life skills in a multitude of areas; Piranha students should be proud of their efforts!

School Values Awards

Puffer fish – EBM – Curiosity – for showing lots of interest at horse-riding by asking lots of great questions.

Seahorse – LM – Resilience – for working independently in Maths and English all week.

Hammerhead – CRS – Co-operation – for accepting help from adults to regulate.

JoE – Curiosity – for showing great engagement during Science.

Piranha – SS – Respect – for engaging with lesson content and completing lovely work.