

# Live and Learn for Life



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## Pine Class Curriculum Letter - Autumn 2

Dear parents,

**Welcome back!** It has been lovely to have the children back in school this week and hearing about all of the wonderful activities they doing over the half term break. I'm sorry to hear that yet again, COVID has been an influence in the children's enjoyment over the holiday. If it has affected you and your family in any way, I hope that you are all ok and have managed to enjoy some of the holiday. Please remember, if you would like to contact me for any reason, you can email the class mailbox at any time and I will get back to you as soon as I can.

### History

This half term our topic is titled 'World War One!' Please see our topic overview sheet and knowledge organiser to see which objectives will be covered as part of the topic. We will be covering the causes for the outbreak of The Great War; what life was like on the Western Front; how animals were integral to the war effort, and what were the lives like for people at home during the war. We will end our topic by carrying out a local study of an area integral to World War One.

### Art

In line with our history topic: World War One, in art, we will be investigating the artists representing work from World War One, especially concentrating on Flanders Fields and poppies. In this unit of work, we will investigate how artists used different forms of media to create their illustrations.

### PE

Just a quick reminder that Pine Class have PE sessions on Monday and Thursday afternoons so they will need to come to school dressed in their PE kits. Our first unit this year will be Cross Country- children will work on their fitness and endurance to maintain and improve running over a distance.

### Home Learning

In Year 5, children will receive a weekly spelling rule. Each week, children will be checked on this rule and given a list of spellings to learn that apply to this rule. As well as this, there will be some of our Year 5 words included in the



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word list as the expectation is that, the children know how to read and spell these words by the end of the year. Children can practice their spelling rule on ReadiWriter or using alternative methods. As well as this, children will be expected to read 20 minutes a day and will use Accelerated Reader to quiz on texts that they have read.

## **Updating information**

Please ensure that the office have any contact detail changes e.g. phone numbers or addresses. If your child needs an inhaler or other medication in school on a daily basis, please ensure that all medication has been brought into school as soon as possible and that it is clearly named and in date. We also need an accompanying completed medication permission form which you can print from our website or collect from us on the school gate.

We are really looking forward to a busy and exciting term. Please do not hesitate to contact the Pine mailbox and we will reply when we can.

***Mr Allington and Mrs Lloyd***



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