



"We have faith in our children"

Headteacher: Richard Unthank

Telephone: 01287 676210

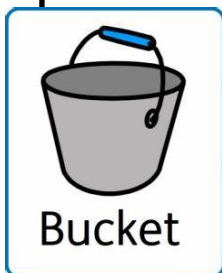
Fax: 01287 203023

Email: office@stpetersceprimary.co.uk

Website: www.stpeters-ce-brotton.com

A warm welcome to the Infant Assessment Class (IAC) and the Autumn 2024 term!

Our topic this term is 'Homes & Families', we will be learning about families and what makes our unique and different types of homes and materials. We will have lots of fun exploring stories such as 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea by Judith Kerr and traditional tales such as 'The Three Little Pigs'.



Bucket

We aim to deliver a broad, balanced and exciting curriculum where the children love to learn. We use specialist approaches such as 'Attention Autism' and 'bucket time' to engage all our children and foster a love of learning together.

Children will access high quality play experiences across our area. They will develop communication skills, social skills and play skills across our provision which includes sand and water play, a creative table, playdough, painting easel, home corner role play, small world areas, a range of construction toys, games, puzzles, sensory trays and much more. We will be using our private courtyard for movement breaks, messy play or practicing our gross motor skills. We also access the large Early Years garden at regular intervals throughout the day

Children will begin to learn to read and write through the Read, Write, Inc. phonics programme when they are ready. Initially children will access a range of language, memory and turn taking activities to set the foundations required for early phonics work.



Children will receive daily Mathematics lessons in small groups which will be tailored to individual needs. We continue to use the White Rose Scheme of Learning, Ten Town, Numicon and Mathletics to support children's learning in Mathematics as well as a range of other resources.

In Science we will be finding out about different materials. We will conduct experiments testing different materials, finding out about wood, metal, plastic, brick, paper and metal. We will test materials for their waterproof properties and elasticity recording our findings in simple ways.



In Design Technology we will be creating model houses from a variety of materials and explore different joining techniques. We will also begin to learn about a healthy diet and sort the healthy ingredients we use as we make our own banana bread.



In Computing we will explore software on the iPads, program programmable toys such as Beebots and use a variety of devices such as cameras, torches, and remote control cars. We will also have fun playing games on the 2 Simple software. We will also use the internet to research information and find out about online safety.

We will have a **History** focus this half term looking how **homes have changed and spotting similarities and differences** between life today and life in the past as we read books like 'Peepo' by Janet Ahlberg. We will practice talking in the past tense and use words and phrases to **talk about the passing of time**.



We will use a range of our senses in **Art and Music projects**, exploring texture, pattern and colour through a variety of media. We will use our voices, instruments and body percussion and spend time exploring how we can make sounds change and add sound effects to stories.

As part of our **Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE)** learning we will focus on keeping safe. We will develop skills in **empathy, being a good friend** and learning **how to ask for help** when we need it. We will learn to talk about and or express our emotions through circle time activities, stories, puppet play and weekly '**Relax Kids**' sessions.

Children will access **PE sessions** each week, one small group session and one session integrated with children in mainstream classes (if appropriate) these PE lessons will be taught by a **specialist PE teacher**.



Children will participate in a wide range of activities at **Forest School Sessions** on the field and in our local natural woodland. We will be creating outdoor art, using our senses to forage wild foods and explore as well as some campfire cooking.



Snack

We have snack each day, children are offered fruit, crackers, bread stick fruit or equivalent healthy snacks. We **welcome donations of 50p each week** to supplement our snacks & baking. All children will be offered **milk** or water. Once children turn 5 years old they need to apply for an entitlement to free milk or have the option of purchasing it. Please contact the school office to purchase milk..

Please update IAC staff with any **dietary requirements** and /or **medical** information ASAP.

Home Learning

Children will be given reading books to **read at home**. Please listen to them read (or share books as appropriate) as often as you possibly can, it really does make all the difference to their progress. Please fill in **reading record books** every time they read so we can reward them in school for all their efforts.

Home -School Communication

We endeavour to maintain good communication between home and school all year. Please use **email** to communicate any messages:

JThompson@stpetersceprimary.co.uk

Should you require a meeting with staff please feel able to phone the school to arrange a meeting.

You will be invited in for **parent consultations** each term for an in depth discussion on your child's progress.

IAC Staff

Mrs Thompson—Class Teacher (full time)
Miss Hopkins—Teaching Assistant (full time)
Mrs Wilkie—Teaching Assistant
Mrs Bowmaker —Teaching Assistant (Tues, Weds, Thurs)

Mrs Russle —Teaching Assistant(Mon, Thurs)
Miss Brown - Dinner supervisor and Assistant (Fri)
Mrs Placzek— Dinner Supervisor
Mr Ahmed & Mr Easton - Sports Teachers am)