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Picasso Class Newsletter – Autumn 2026

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Dear Parent(s)/carer(s),

Welcome back to the Autumn term. We hope that you have all had a lovely Summer and spent some quality time with the family and enjoyed the glorious sunshine.

Our concept for the first Autumn half term is **MOTIVATION** and our class reading book is *The Boy with the Bronze Axe* by Kathleen Fidler. Our concept for the second Autumn half term is **FAMILIES**.

We are really looking forward to working with your children and developing the relationships within our classroom environment. We will be working on independence through further understanding of the school values of Love-Courage-Hope and the Be ready – Be respectful – Be safe rules that help us make sure we are here for the education of all.

Home Learning

Reading

Children will be expected to read at least 4 times a week; these must be signed by an adult at home. Obviously, a love of reading for pleasure is also important so if your child is reading a particular book at home to you, please record this in their reading record book.

Spellings

Spelling and/or Grammar home learning will be set every week. Spelling will be lists of words to learn, which will be posted onto Purple Mash on a Friday and will be tested in school on the Friday of the following week. As part of the testing, children will be learning to write short sentences from dictation which include the words from their lists.

Maths

We will focus on practical and recorded problem solving and investigations. We will be learning about

- Number and place value
- Addition and subtraction
- Multiplication and division

Please can appropriate P.E. kits be brought in on a Monday morning and stay in school, they will remain in school until they need to be washed.

Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns and we will endeavour to deal with them as quickly as possible.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Price and Mrs Sibley
Year 3 Team