

## Penguin Class

Term 6 - June 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 6 and I hope you had a relaxing half term. The children have worked very hard in Term 5 and we are ready for fun packed learning.

I would like to share with you the topics your child will be looking at this term so that we can work together to provide all the support your child needs.

The core subjects, English, Maths, Science and RE are given a greater proportion of the weekly timetable and will include:

**English:** Fiction: picture books related to Dinosaur theme; Tyrannosaurs Drip, A dinosaur came to tea,  
Poetry: poems using rhythm and patterns linked to Dinosaurs.  
Non-fiction: information text linked to science unit of common animals and plants; dictionary and thesaurus skills; recount writing

These units of study offer a variety of writing opportunities; encouraging your child to develop both as a reader and a writer. Your child will gain confidence to discuss their understanding of the stories, explore sentences structure and improve their writing and reading comprehension and prepare them for the Year 3 program of study.

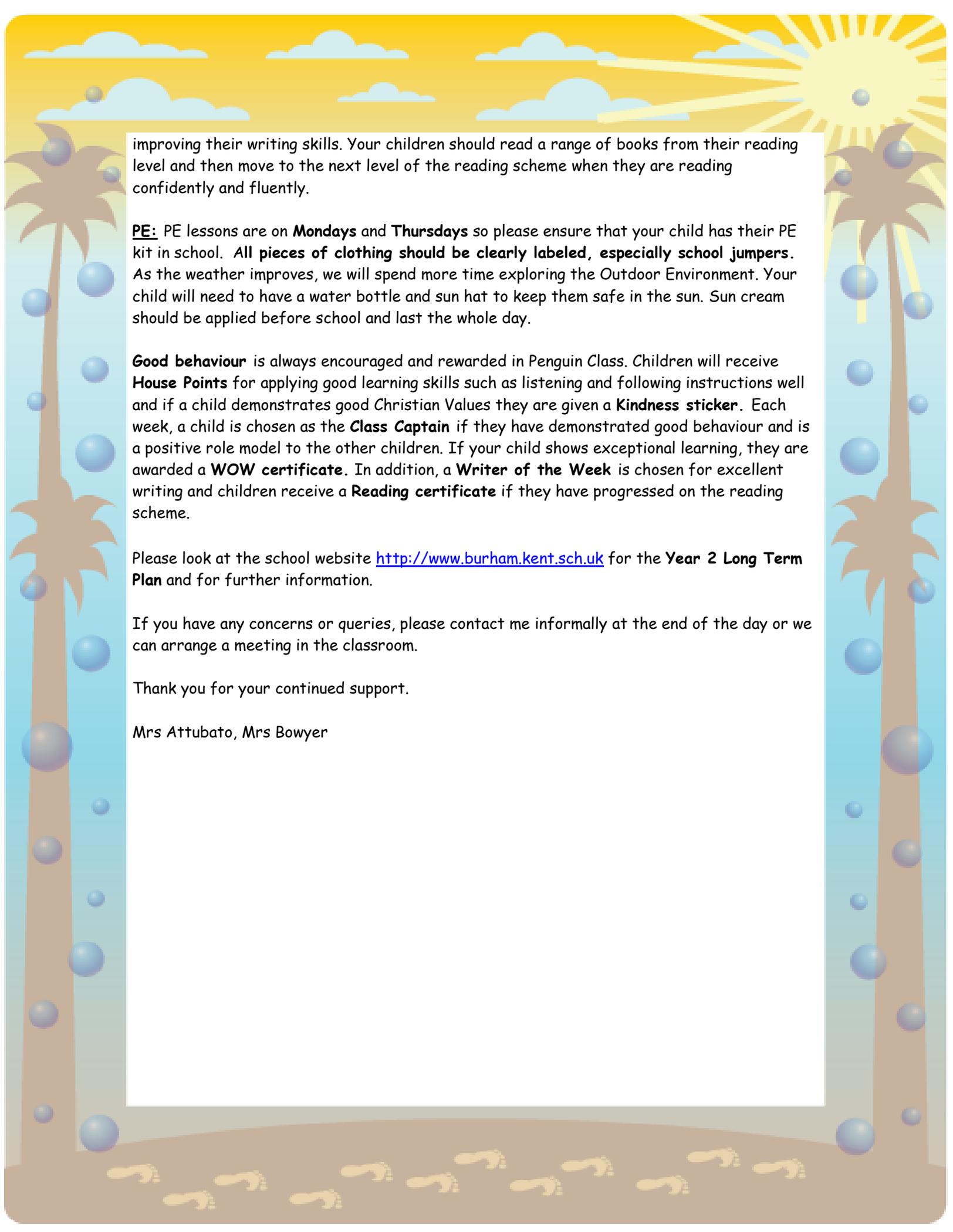
**Maths:** Place Value: recognising number to 1000  
Measurement: measurement including capacity using standard units, telling the time to within 5 minute intervals,  
Problem solving: Maths investigation linked to addition, subtraction, multiplication and division  
Geometry: recall properties of 2d and 3d shapes, position and direction, map reading and coordinate

Please encourage your child to talk about the methods and strategies they have learnt in school to secure their understanding further. Your child will continue to learn the multiplication tables. Please support your child to learn them to increase fluency and thereby strengthening their application to a variety of mathematical concepts.

**Creative Curriculum:** This term the Creative Curriculum is **Why are the Dinosaurs Extinct?** This will include finding out about how fossils are formed and famous palaeontologist Mary Anning. Your children will be given opportunities to use the internet and taught how to research information safely.

**Homework:** Your child will be given **Maths and English homework** on Thursday that will consist of 6 activities till the end of term. It is due in the last week of term when spelling and times tables will be tested.

**Reading:** It is very important that you listen to your child read for approximately 10 minutes every day. Reading books can be changed once your child has read the **book twice on separate days**. Please encourage them to discuss the story or information book to develop good comprehension skills. This will lead to your child becoming an avid reader whilst also



improving their writing skills. Your children should read a range of books from their reading level and then move to the next level of the reading scheme when they are reading confidently and fluently.

**PE:** PE lessons are on **Mondays** and **Thursdays** so please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school. **All pieces of clothing should be clearly labeled, especially school jumpers.** As the weather improves, we will spend more time exploring the Outdoor Environment. Your child will need to have a water bottle and sun hat to keep them safe in the sun. Sun cream should be applied before school and last the whole day.

**Good behaviour** is always encouraged and rewarded in Penguin Class. Children will receive **House Points** for applying good learning skills such as listening and following instructions well and if a child demonstrates good Christian Values they are given a **Kindness sticker**. Each week, a child is chosen as the **Class Captain** if they have demonstrated good behaviour and is a positive role model to the other children. If your child shows exceptional learning, they are awarded a **WOW certificate**. In addition, a **Writer of the Week** is chosen for excellent writing and children receive a **Reading certificate** if they have progressed on the reading scheme.

Please look at the school website <http://www.burham.kent.sch.uk> for the **Year 2 Long Term Plan** and for further information.

If you have any concerns or queries, please contact me informally at the end of the day or we can arrange a meeting in the classroom.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Attubato, Mrs Bowyer