

May 2019 – English at Pear Tree



Welcome to our first English Newsletter. You will receive a regular update on what is happening in English at Pear Tree Community Junior School. We will also be running events where you can get involved.



Mrs Saini Leads English at Pear Tree Community Junior School and this term is working with staff to develop the quality of children's writing. The staff have just been trained on how to use a great online resource called 'Pobble'. This will allow your child to be a published author – watch this space!

Bug club is an amazing resource that helps your child learn to read. All children have a logon.

Please remind your child to use Bug Club at home!

Ask your child's class teacher if you require a logon!



Texts for this term

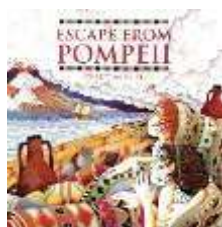
Each half term the different year groups use a book to lead their learning in English and across the curriculum. This is something we started this year and has proved really successful. Remember to ask your child all about their new class book and topic.



Year 3



Year 4



Year 5



Year 6

Reading for Pleasure

Research has found that reading a bedtime story to your child every evening increases their vocabulary significantly.

Why not choose a book with your child and snuggle up to read?



Aiming High Reading Challenge

As a school we are aiming to read 25000 times before the end of this academic year. Your child earns points every time they read at home. Please make sure your child is reading regularly at home and signing their home school log. Your child should be reading at home 5 times a week!



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We hope all our parents and children had a wonderful relaxing Easter break, was lovely to see the children back and ready for the final term of the year.

This is the first page of our information sharing flyer created by the school office and will contain information that we hope will be useful to you.

Diary Dates

MAY		
Monday 6 th Bank Holiday	School closed	
Tuesday 7 th	Pupils return	
Monday 13 th – Friday 17 th	SATS	Year 6
Friday 24 th	Last term of half term	
School closed between Monday 27 th May and Friday 31 st May		
JUNE		
Monday 3 rd	Pupils return	
Thursday 6 th	Recognition Assembly	Year 3 & 6
Friday 7 th	Recognition Assembly	Year 4 & 5
Tuesday 11 th	Adventure Farm visit Burton	Year 5
Friday 28 th	Speed Kick Challenge – Sponsored event	All
JULY		
Tuesday 2 nd	Transition Day	All
Thursday 4 th	Sports Day – 2pm	Year 5 & 6
Friday 5 th	Sports Day – 2pm	Year 3 & 4
Wednesday 10 th	Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery	Year 4
Monday 15 th	Reports to Parents	
Wednesday 24 th	Last day of term	
Thursday 25 th	INSET DAY - School closed	
SEPT		
Friday 6 th	INSET DAY - School closed	
Monday 9 th	INSET DAY - School closed	
Tuesday 10 th	Pupils return	

Please check the flyer each week for any possible changes / inserts to the school diary. Changes and inserts will be highlighted to make identification easier for you.



Summertime will soon be upon us, please remember if the forecast shows sunshine to ensure you have applied sun lotion to your child **before** they come to school, a sunhat may also be required.

As nice as it may look, open toe sandals and flip flops are not suitable footwear for school! To prevent receiving a call from the office, please ensure your child comes into school wearing the correct footwear, black shoes or black trainers please.



Thank you very much to those parents who have already shared some interesting and useful ideas on ways that we can improve the communication that we share with you. If you have any ideas or suggestions of your own then please share them with us, we are happy to listen and do what we can to make your experience of Pear Tree a positive one.

