

Dear Pico families,

Welcome to, or welcome back to Pico Class.

We have put together all the information about Pico Class in this one document, however please remember that if you ever have any questions, do not hesitate to get in touch either during drop off or pick up or send a message on Class Dojo.

Information regarding our expedition learning each half term, along with additional copies of the homework grids can be found on the Pico Class page of the school website.

Home learning:

Reading - We encourage reading to be a daily activity, for a minimum of 10-15 minutes. Once your child has read their library book or the class text, please can you or your child record it on Boom Reader.

Every half term, the children will complete a Star Reading Assessment in school which consists of them reading various short texts and answering comprehension questions. This assessment then gives them a score which corresponds with our colour-coded books in our school library. The children will then choose a library book which is suited to their current level of reading and can enjoy reading their new books at home and in school. When your child has finished reading their library book, they need to return it and change it. Your child will be bringing home a school book in the next couple of weeks.

Class texts – In Key Stage 2, every half term, all the children receive a copy of our class text to enjoy reading in our lessons. There will be times that we send the children home with their copy of the class text to read some pages/chapters at home and we will post on Class Dojo to inform you of this. It is important that you don't let your child read ahead in the book as this will affect their predictions.

Homework – Every child has a blue Home Learning book and inside you will find your child's homework grid for this half term. Each week, your child's spelling grid will also be glued into their Home Learning book. On a weekly basis, your child needs to complete the English task, practise their spellings and complete the allocated columns in their times table booklet. Homework will be sent out every Monday and will be collected and checked the following Monday. We have given each child a named plastic folder that they must keep their Home Learning book, reading book and times table booklet in.

General Information:

PE - PE days are on **Wednesday** and **Friday** every week. Therefore, your child will need to come to school wearing their full PE kit on those days.

Drop off and pick up - Please send your child to Pico's back door (next to the school garden) every morning promptly at 8:40am. At the end of the day, your child will be dismissed by an adult from the front steps of the school building. Please stand where you can be seen by us and your child. If there's any changes to the home time arrangements, you must call the office directly.

Thank you,

Mrs Jones