



Shoreham Village School
Church Street
Shoreham
Sevenoaks
Kent
TN14 7SN
Headteacher
Mrs G Lovatt-Young
01959 522228
www.shorehamvillageschool.net
office@shoreham.kent.sch.uk

5th September 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

2025 Autumn Term Curriculum Letter for Palmer Class

Welcome to the Autumn Term at Shoreham Village School. We hope you have all had a restful holiday and are looking forward to a new school year. We ask that reading records are handed into school each day so that they can be used as a means of communication with your child's class teacher. Please can I ask that you are reading with your child every day for around 10-20 minutes. Reading records will be checked daily, as they also provide a valuable link between home and school. When a child has read 100 times with accompanying signatures, they will be awarded a book of their choice.

Homework will be set on a Friday in their homework books and homework books will be collected in on a **Wednesday**. For extra maths home learning resources, please see the Palmer Class page on the school website as this has some useful links. Spellings will also be set on a Friday and tested on the following Friday. Children can choose to practise mild or spicy words. At the front of your child's homework book are a list of common exception words, it would be helpful if your child could be practising these. It may not always be possible for your child to complete all of the homework set, but please encourage your child to finish what they are capable of, and then spend some time reading for 10 to 20 minutes each day. It is important that the children get into a routine of reading instructions and questions for themselves and to have a good attempt at the work set. A relaxed discussion with your child about work that they are stuck on can often be beneficial, providing your child does not feel under pressure. Please continue to use our Purple Mash program at home as well, logins will be stuck into the reading records.

PE will be on a Monday and a Friday afternoon. Please ensure that your child is wearing their PE kit into school, which they will then wear throughout the day.

Please ensure that your child has a named water bottle, we are a healthy school so only water is permitted in their water bottles. It would be helpful if their jumpers, hats etc are named as well. Fruit is provided free of charge for all pupils, however if children bring their own snack please could you ensure that it is a healthy one.

Yours sincerely

Miss Krista Watts
Palmer Class Teacher

Mrs Gillian Lovatt-Young
Headteacher

Year 1/2 Autumn Term 2025 Curriculum Map

Maths	Place Value- ordering numbers and understanding their value. Addition and subtraction- Understanding the addition and subtraction symbols and using methods to help us with our number problems.
Literacy	Handwriting- forming letters in the correct direction and on the line. Reading- We will be following the Read Write Inc. program to teach phonics and reading. The children will be given a new reading book every 3-5 days depending on their level. Please ensure you are reading these books with them at least 3x to build their fluency. Writing- sentence structure, character descriptions and poems.
Science	Materials- this term we will be looking at the features of different materials. We will observe and explore what materials objects are made of and understand why that material is best for the purpose. We will also complete the egg drop experiment, making a safety box using different materials, dropping the egg and discussing the results.
ICT	Online Safety and effective searching- this term we will be teaching children how to be safe online. Explaining the use of logins and passwords and discussing why they are important. We will also learn how to safely and effectively search the internet.
Topic	Oceans and Seas- the children will be learning about the 5 oceans and the seas. They will learn to locate these and know the difference between these oceans. They will also learn about the layers of the ocean and the animals that live there.
RE and PSHCE	Health and Wellbeing Christianity Key Question: Does God want Christians to look after the world? We are learning to re-tell the Christian Creation story and to explore how this influences how Christians behave towards nature and the environment.
Art and Design Technology	Drawing- this term in art we will be looking at drawing. We will observe and draw different kinds of lines and discuss when we would use them. We will be looking at the art of famous line artists such as Boris Schmitz and Paul Klee. We will also be drawing graphic designs in the style of Jon Burgerman.
French	Explore greetings in French. Learn numbers in French. Explore how to listen and join in with rhymes, songs and stories in French.
Music	Listen and Appraise- We will be listening to and discussing the importance of pulse in music and having a go at making our own pulse. We will be looking at long and short sounds and creating music with our bodies and instruments.
PE	Dance- in dance we will be exploring stories and role play to create a simple dance. Sports skills, football and fitness- this term we will use a range of games to develop attack and defending skills.