

Dear Picasso Parents and Children,

I do hope that you have all had a relaxing break and have enjoyed the summer sun.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you all back to school and in particular, into Picasso Class.

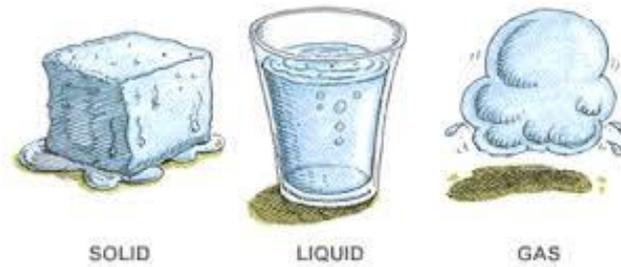
We have got lots of exciting things planned for this Autumn term, much of it based around our topic of Ancient Egypt; I was lucky enough to have visited Egypt this summer and so I hope to bring some interesting facts into our lessons.



So, in History, we will be looking at life in Ancient Egypt and the legacy that the Ancient Egyptians left the modern world, and then in the second half of the term, we will study rivers – with some emphasis on the River Nile – and the water cycle.



In Science, the children will be studying States of Matter and then Forces and Magnets.



And in Art, we shall continue on our theme of Ancient Egypt coupled with sculpture and will be creating clay relief tiles, scarabs and cartouches.



In RE, we shall be comparing Judaism with Christianity, looking at religious beliefs, celebrations and festivals.

Now to general things:

School Uniform: Please do refer to the complete list on the [website](#) but can you ensure that your child has both indoor and outdoor shoes.

PE: Picasso Class's PE days will be Monday and Tuesday and there will be an outdoor session with Mr Sadler on the first day back, Tuesday 6th September. Could you please ensure that your child has a full PE kit in school at all times; the complete list is on the website, but it is important that all children have their hair tied back securely and that no watches or jewellery are

worn – if your child has studs, they must either be removed or covered with tape.

Key Dates:

Tuesday 6th September – return to school.

Tuesday 20th September – there will be a coffee morning in the hall for Picasso Class, between 8.45 and 9.45am; the PTA will provide refreshments.

Thursday 29th September – a provisional date has been set for Harvest at the Church, in the morning.

Wednesday 5th October – Sports' Day; Picasso class's slot will be in the afternoon, from 1.30 to 3pm.

Tuesday 18th – Parents' Evening, from 3.30 to 5pm

Thursday 20th October – Parents' Evening, from 4.30 to 7pm

Thursday 20th October – end of half term.

Monday 31st October – return to school

Monday 19th December – the Carol Concert at the church (provisionally booked)

Tuesday 20th December – end of term and break for the Christmas holidays

Thursday 5th January 2023 – return to school after Christmas holidays

We are investigating going into Oxford to visit a synagogue in conjunction with our RE module and will let you know as soon as we have a firm date.

I very much look forward to seeing you all next week and hope that you have a restful weekend.

Very warm regards,

Vita Parvín

