

Welcome to Goram Class





About Me

Mrs Hernandez

- Experience: This is my first year working at Nova. Previously, I have worked in London schools for over five years.
- Interests/hobbies: I enjoy fitness, the outdoors, travelling, cooking (eating!) and the arts.
- Learning vision: Supporting pupils' wellbeing and helping them to succeed in an ever-changing world. I seek to ensure that every child has the best possible education and experience of school.
- What I love about teaching... having fun with the children and ensuring that lessons and activities are exciting, informative and dynamic.



Learning

Partnership
As teachers we want to support children and families. We will work together to ensure all children are happy, safe and learning.

Home-School Agreement (emailed to you) outlines the role of school staff, parents and children in a successful learning partnership.



Communication

- You can make an appointment with me by emailing or phoning the school office.
- You will also be able to speak to me at pick up time most days.



Mindful Morning Routine

Gates open at 8.35am

- EYFS & KS1 parents and carers wait with children on the playground.
- KS2 children walk to their playgrounds and classrooms independently. Teachers will be there to greet them.
- Whistle blown at 8.43am and children line up with their teacher.

Morning routine in class:

- Children to hang up coats & bags etc
- Mindful morning activities will be set up for all children to engage with whilst the register in taken.

Gates will be locked at 8.50am



Zones of Regulation

Mindful mornings (and times throughout the school day) will be an opportunity to teach children to recognise their emotions. Throughout the year we will be teaching and developing a bank of strategies with the children that they can use to help regulate their emotions. You can support by using the language of zones of regulation at home and to communicate to us.

What Zone Are You In?			
Blue	Green	Yellow	Red
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Sick	Нарру	Frustrated	Mad/Angry
Sad	Calm	Worried	Mean
Tired	Feeling Okay	Silly/Wiggly	Yelling/Hitting
Bored	Focused	Excited	Disgusted
Moving Slowly	Ready to Learn	Loss of Some	Out of Control
		Control	

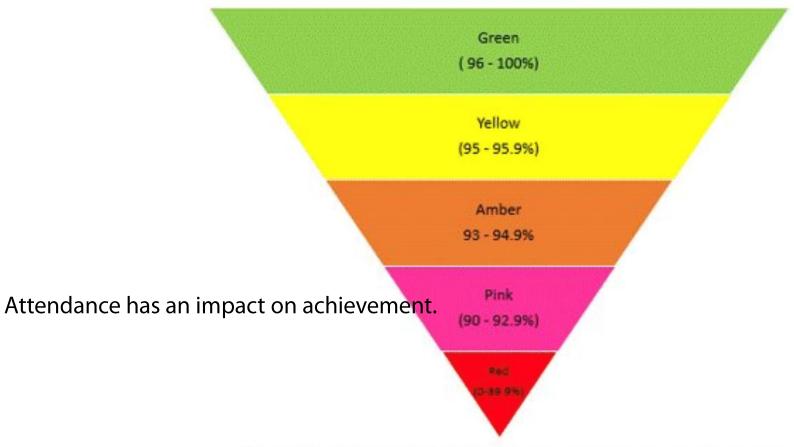


Attendance

Attendance and punctuality are *extremely* important. Being on time helps prepare all children to be settled and ready for their school day.

- Gates open at 8:35am
- Register is taken at 8.45am
- Gates are locked at 8.50am Your child must be in before this time.
- Children coming in between 8.45am -9.30am will be marked as 'late'.
- Children coming in after 9.30a, will be marked as an 'absent'.
- It is a Nova expectation from EY that children attend every day.

Attendance



Attendance Groups & Risk		
Green	No Risk	
Yellow	Risk of Under Achievement	
Amber	Serious Risk of Under Achievement	
Pink	Severe Risk of Under Achievement	
Red	Extreme Risk of Under Achievement	



Behaviour

Nova's 2 golden rights:

- Everyone has the right to learn
- Everyone has the right to be happy and safe
- Positive approach to behaviour management
- Recognition board, postcards, phone calls home, appreciation
- Weekly Nova star award and termly 'Above and Beyond' award



Behaviour

Our behaviour policy can be viewed on our website, including steps &

consequences.

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Take up time	Reminder from adult of expected behaviour with a wink or a nod.	• 4
Step 1	Mini-chat: A scripted conversation 3 of 30 seconds and a reminder about the task and an offer of help.	5
Step 2	Five-minute check-in following Step 1 and praise correct behaviour or Further Scripted Behaviour Intervention* and direction towards regulation station explained: 5 minutes for KS1 children accessing regulation strategies 10 minutes for KS2 children accessing regulation strategies This will be followed up with a scripted restorative conversation* with adult and recognition of regulation.	5 Minutes on
Step 3	If challenging behaviour continues, child goes to paired class for remainder of the session (am/pm) and attends supervised lunchtime restoration* session. This will be followed up with a scripted restorative conversation* with adult at the end of lunchtime restoration. Parents/Carers will be informed if their child reaches this step.	
Step 4	If step 3 is reached 3x in a week, the senior leadership team will intervene, a new Positive Behaviour Plan will be implemented in a meeting with parents/carers and class teacher.	

• Parents will be informed if their child reaches a step 3 or needs a positive behaviour plan.



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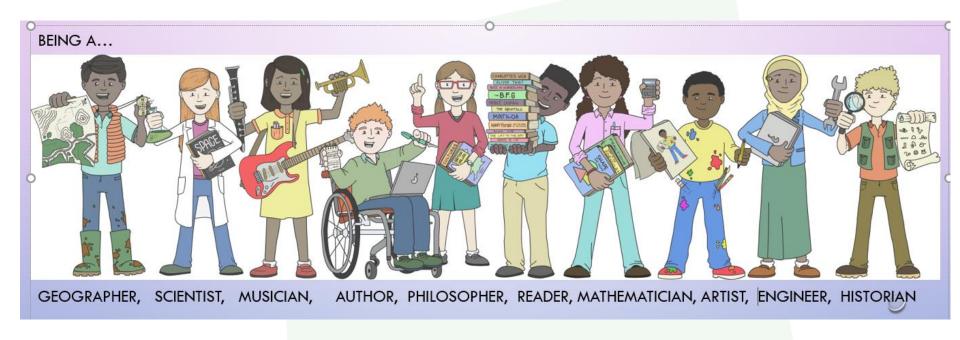


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	Term 1 & 2 Lessons from the past	Term 3 & 4 Investigating & making a difference	Term 5 & 6 What a wonderful world!		
EY		Topics to be decided based upon children's interests			
Year 1	Who are the real heroes? Significant figures in history Big idea: Making a difference	How can we make traditional tales come to life? Stories - Materials Big idea: Morals	Why is water precious? Plants & animals - Journeys – Oceans Big idea: Uses and preserving		
Year 2	What was it like to live in Victorian times? Comparison Queen Victoria and Elizabeth 1 – The Great Exhibition of 1851 – Sources of information – Changes over time Big idea: Researching history	What makes Bristol brilliant? Significant events and people in local History - Brunel – DT - Shirehampton/ Weston Super Mare – Fieldwork Big idea: Legacy & Community	What makes Africa amazing? Comparing UK to a non-European country— animals Big idea: Diversity and Comparison		
Year 3	Would you prefer to live in Ancient Egypt or the Stone age Britain? Stone age – Iron age – Ancient Egyptians Big idea: Changes over time	How can science educate and entertain us? Research & discoveries - Electricity – Forces and magnets Big idea: Cause and effect	Why should we care about the environment? Environment – Rainforests – South America Big idea: Preserve and protect		
Year 4	Who were the Romans and what was their legacy on Britain? Romans - Europe Big idea: Changes over time	How has STEM changed the world? Designs changing over time – Light & sound - Supporting disabilities Big idea: Legacy & Design	What's the most important thing about chocolate? Fairtrade – Cooking - Mayans Big idea: Fairness and moderation		
Year 5	Why were the European invades (Vikings) such successful conquerors? Vikings – Anglo Saxons - Europe Big idea: Compare & Contrast	How have the Ancient Greeks influenced us? Greek influence on Western life Big idea: Legacy and belief	What makes planet Earth unique? Science – Space - Mountains, rivers & water cycle Geography - Natural disasters Big idea: Exploration and mystery Big idea: Survival and Prevention		
Year 6	Britain in the 20th Century - What changes have been seen? WW2 – Windrush - Local history - legacy Big idea: Comparison & Empathy	How did the Earth evolve? Evolution – Volcanoes and Earthquakes – Natural disasters Big idea: Changes & Diversity	How can life be celebrated through animation? Animations – Technology –Legacy Big idea: Celebration & Creation		







To help children develop their knowledge about different subjects in the wider curriculum.



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Would you rather like in the Stone Age or Ancient Egypt?

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Year 3 Terms 1 & 2 Big concept: Changes over time

Overview:

This enquiry is history rich and enables learners in term 1 to learn about the changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. In term 2, children will develop their historical knowledge further by studying Egyptians as an ancient civilization. Children will develop as historians by asking questions. researching and drawing conclusions about their discoveries. At the end of their line of enquiry, children will make comparisons and reflect upon their preferences for the time period they would prefer to live in and why.

Class texts have been chosen to enrich children's learning, encouraging them to make links with their reading and wider curriculum learning. For example, 'The Stone Age Boy' offers opportunities for children to learn about Stone Age civilizations and what life was like. As artists, children will explore making paints with natural pigments and different brush strokes to create their own paintings. As designers, children will develop their cooking skills to create their own Stone Age stewed fruit salad.

Learning links (previous learning):	Celebrating diversity and inspirational People:
History –Brunel's Suspension Bridge was inspired by Egyptian	Significant historical figures: Howard Carter and Tutankhamun, Amelia
architecture. The concept of BC is new.	Edwards
Geography – Children know continents and oceans. New learning about	
how human and physical features of landscapes influence settlements.	
DT – Children are confident with the design process and will apply this in	
their cooking project.	
Art – Children are familiar with using different brushes and painting tools.	
Making natural paints and pigments will be new learning.	
Launch and Landings	Experiential learning opportunities:
Launch: Outdoor experience creating Stone Age Settlement	- Egypt Museum Trip
Landing: Showcase assembly for parents	
Children debate their preference for living in the Stone Age or Ancient	
Egypt	



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• If you have expertise to offer in any of these topics, please let me know.

Tuesday the 23rd of November 2021

 Discover Ancient Egypt Workshop at Bristol Museum & Art Gallery



Home Learning -reading and key skills!

Our home learning policy has been updated following consultation.

• The focus for home learning is on reading and key skills – the

building blocks!



- Our home learning policy and update will be shared with you next week, along with our class homelearning for this term.
- This week focusing on getting to know the children.



Home Learning – Reading and key skills!

- Children are expected to read at home everyday as reading is the key to success!
- Children KS2 will have TTRs and Spelling Shed log ins to practise their number and spellings kills at home.
- Some optional suggested home learning activities linked to the wider curriculum will also be shared termly.
- If you want further guidance or additional materials to support your child with their learning at home, please speak to me.



Dates for the diary

 Phonics and reading information meeting for all parents – Tuesday 28th September at 3.30pm in school hall with Frankie Owen (EYFS & Phonics leader) and Dympna Leonard (English leader).

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 Maths information meeting for all parents – Thursday 30th September at 3.30pm in school hall with Emma Cuthbert (Maths leader).



Reading

- Our Nova Family Reading Journals will be issued to all children. There is space to: record titles of books read and comments, write reviews, spelling lists and tips for the reading helper – you!
- Levelled book bands recently updated fiction and nonfiction books at your child's reading level.
- Library classroom and whole-school library stocked with exciting titles.
- Please read daily with your child at home. For strategies to support we have a phonics and reading information meeting for all parents – Tuesday 28th September at 3.30pm in school hall.

Our whole-school Reading Records



Family Reading Record

(and guide for the reading helper)

Name:	
Class:	



What can parents and carers do to support young readers?

Nova Primary 'Take 10 Challenge'

Staff at Nova
Primary pledge
to take *at least*10 minutes each
day to read with
your child.

Signed:

I pledge to take 10 minutes each day to read my book.

Signed:

Will you pledge to take 10 minutes each day to read with your children?

Signed:

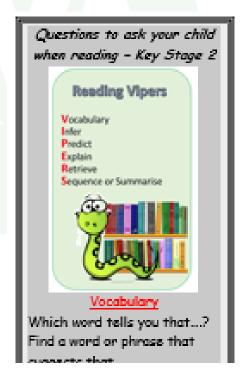
This may be in Guided Reading lessons, class novels or individually

Reading

 VIPERS: in Guided Reading lessons, we prepare questions from the five National Curriculum reading assessment strands using the mnemonic 'VIPERS' to ensure all key comprehension reading skills are targeted.

'VIPERS' prompt questions are printed in every Nova Reading Record for the reading helper.

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Explain

Which section was the interesting/exciting pool of the charchanges throughout the Find phrases which showing is the text arrangithis way?

What structures has to

author usad

Retrieve

What genne is this tex do you know? Who had..? What happened to...? Give on example of....



Maths

- Maths curriculum develops fluency, reasoning & problem solving skills.
- Knowing number facts & times tables quickly helps in all areas of maths. Please support your child with this at home 5x a week!
- In Year 3, children must know their 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables.
- We will send home information about your child's specific targets too so you know what to help them with at home.
- Times Table Rockstars in KS2 all children have log ins.



Additional information

- PE days will alternate weekly.
- Week 1 (this week), 3, 5 Monday and Wednesday.
- Week 2, 4, 6– Monday and Tuesday.
- Please ensure your child has their PE kit ready.