

Things to Remember...

- Our PE sessions are on **Mondays and Tuesdays** this term. Please come to school wearing your PE kit for the whole day.
- Please bring your reading book to school every day. I will be changing the books on Mondays and Wednesdays.
- Show and Tell – check the class timetable to find out what day you can bring something special in to show the class.
- Please bring a water bottle in everyday, so that your child has a drink in the classroom.

Please come and speak to myself and Mr Richards and Mrs Hills if you have any questions or queries, however big or small, we will do our best to help.

Year 1 Forest School & Reception Welly Walk

In Term 5, on **Wednesday afternoons, Year 1** children will be attending Forest School with our forest school teachers Katie and Toby.

Reception children will be going to Wild About Barcombe for a welly walk and activities with Miss Eaglen.

Please come to school dressed in old clothes. Please ensure you always have clothes with long sleeves and legs are covered. Bring your water proof trousers so you can get wet and muddy too.

Weekly Bulletin

Please ensure you read the weekly bulletin which is sent to you on Fridays.

This will have key information about upcoming events for your child's class.

Tapestry – Reception Children

We will continue to share your child's learning experiences on their Tapestry account. We love to read comments from yourself as well as the things your child says when talking about what they see.

Please try and upload photographs of things you get up to at home. We love sharing your posts and home learning with the children at school.

Summer Time

Please remember to bring a sun hat to school when it is sunny and make sure your name is inside.

Please bring your sun cream to school with your name written on the bottle. The children can apply this themselves at lunchtime, so please make sure your child is able to do this independently.

Dates for your diary:

Curriculum meeting – Friday 28th April – 9.00-9.30am Hedgehog classroom.

Trip to Cumnor House for Science fun – Wednesday 3rd May 1pm-3pm

Coronation tea party – Friday 5th May 2.15-3.00pm

Sports day – Thursday 29th June

Welcome to Hedgehog Class

Curriculum Information

Terms 5 & 6



Teacher: Miss Eaglen
Teaching Assistants: Mr Richards
and Mrs Hills

Mathematical Development

Reception: In Term 5, we will continue to work on the children's knowledge of number and accurate counting. This term we are focussing on finding doubles and halves of numbers and developing our fluency and automaticity when identifying and recalling number bonds of all numbers to 10. Please help your child at home by spotting numbers and counting things everywhere you go!

Year 1 –During Term 5, Year 1 will have another focus on Place Value—this time we will be looking at numbers all the way to 100. The children will be learning about money, recognising and identifying different coins and notes, and applying their skills of addition and subtraction to adding amounts of money and giving change. During Term 6, both year groups will be exploring shape, space and measure. We will be learning about different measurements, including capacity, length, mass and temperature.

Music

This term, we will be exploring a Pulse and Tempo unit called 'All about me'. The children will learn to play rhythms on untuned percussion instruments to deepen their understanding of pulse and rhythm. They will develop their 'thinking voice' by internalising the pulse when listening to music and use the 'call and response' method by listening out for rhythms and then repeating them. The children will identify the pulse in several songs and practise performing either the pulse or rhythm to highlight the differences.

Physical Development

In PE this term, we will be focussing on tennis skills with the sports coaches. We will also be getting ready for Sports day by trying out the events and developing our skills for these.

Reception Phonics -We are beginning to learn digraphs (two letters that make one sound) following the Rocket Phonics scheme. We will be practising our segmenting and blending skills for reading and writing. Please try to read with your child as often as you can.

We are learning to recognise 'tricky words' such as: the, he, she, to, go, no. These words can not be blended using phonics and therefore children must learn to sight read them.

Hedgehogs Class

Curriculum Information Summer 2023

Year 1 Phonics – Phonic sessions will continue to happen daily with all year 1 children being taught together. The children will be continuing to consolidate their knowledge of digraphs and alternative spellings for sounds. Such as ai, ay, a_e, a. On Fridays, we will continue to focus on reading and spelling tricky words.

PSED

In PSED we will be exploring family, friends and relationships. We will be learning to understand that all families are different but we all love each other. We will be thinking about how to be a good friend and who to ask for help in different situations.

Language and Literacy

We will begin the term by exploring the text **Handa's Surprise**. We are working hard to develop our sentence structure and organise our brilliant ideas by verbally constructing responses to the text before recording them. We are beginning to include lots of interesting vocabulary in our writing thanks to "Grandma Fantastic", who helps introduce us to lots of exciting vocabulary and broaden the children's understanding of language. Later in the term we will be reading the texts, '**We found a hat**' written by Jon Klassen, '**Bog Baby**' by Jeanne Willis and '**Katie's Sunflowers**' by James Mayhew.

Our Year 1 children will continue to focus on writing sentences with increasing independence. We are encouraging them to extend their writing by developing their stamina and using a wide range of vocabulary. We will be focussing on the use of punctuation and will support the children to read their work aloud in order to make changes and improvements to their writing.

Our Project is... Create

In Terms 5 and 6, our Art project is called '**Still Life**'- **a window into my world**. This project will give the children the opportunity to capture the world around them from their own perspectives. We want this project to be personal to the children and allow them the freedom to explore things in their environment. The children will be supported to create artworks that depict their favourite foods, special objects from home and in their classroom. Our Create project gives the children the opportunity explore a range artists and artworks and begin to hone their artistic skills in order to talk about and analyse both their own and other's work. They will be experimenting with a variety of techniques including mark making, painting, drawing, collage, digital art, textiles and sculpture using a range of media and materials. Hedgehog class will be exploring still life artworks from famous and influential artists including Paul Cezanne, Vincent Van Gogh and Andy Warhol as well as, some more contemporary artists such as Alai Ganuzaas, Leah Gardener and Sari Shryack.