

### Things to Remember...

- Our PE sessions are on Wednesdays.
- Please bring your reading book to school every day.
- Try and share your child's reading book together at least 3 times a week, to help your child develop their reading skills. You can also tick off the tricky sight words on the book mark as they learn to recognise them by sight.
- Green word books – help your child to practise their decoding skills by reading the word lists together. Tick the words when they can blend and read the words.
- Show and Tell – check the class timetable to find out what day you can bring something special in to show the class.

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

### Tapestry

Please look at Tapestry each week to find out what we have been learning in Hedgehog class and see the lovely photos of your child's learning in action! We really value your comments on these posts.

Don't forget to share things your child has been doing at home through Tapestry. We look at the home posts each week as a class and the children love talking about what they see on the big board.

I would love to see examples of your child's interests, such as Lego, football, craft making, writing and drawing.

If you can upload a photograph from your Christmas day – opening present, having lunch, pulling a cracker – that would be very exciting for the children to share and talk about!

### **Welly Walks – On TUESDAYS for this term only.**

On Tuesday mornings, we will go on our welly walks. 9.00 – 10.30am. We ask that you send your child to school dressed in old, warm clothes, to enable us to take our learning to Wild About Barcombe. We go whatever the weather!

This term we will be using maps to find our way around and looking for signs of Winter. We will also be learning how to be safe around a camp fire.

### **Friday Welly Walk Challenge!**

On Friday afternoons we will be starting to build up to the school's 'daily mile' challenge by walking around the Recreation ground in our welly boots. The Hedgehogs will be walking half a mile – twice around the Rec.

### **Dates for your diary:**

- Welly Walks –Every TUESDAY, whatever the weather! – 9.00-0.30am
- Hedgehog Class Assembly – Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 9.00-9.30am – Sports Hall
- Animal dressing up & bake sale day for Raystede – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January
- Hedgehog Trip to Middle Farm – Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February

### **Homework**

Please have a look at the homework menu in your child's Home Diary. If you would like to try an activity, please share it with us via Tapestry or in your book. You could also write a **WOW comment** to celebrate and share wonderful moments and learning too.

# Welcome to Hedgehog Class

## Curriculum Information

## Terms 3 & 4

BARCOMBE  
C. OF E.  
SCHOOL

**Teacher: Mrs Whittle**  
**Teaching Assistants: Mrs Holmans**

### Mathematical Development

This term the children will be continuing to develop their familiarity with number to 10 and then up to 20. Please you're your child to practise their number recognition and number writing skills at home. We will be playing games to help us to say the number that is one more than and one less than a given number up to 10. We will be learning about taking away, by using physical objects to count. We will also be learning about 3d shapes and recognising them in our environment.

### Physical Development

In PE we will be learning about gymnastics. We will be developing our balancing and travelling skills, using different body parts. We will then use the apparatus to practice jumping in a range or ways.

### PSED

In PSED we will be learning about challenging ourselves. We will be thinking about how we don't always find things easy, and learning not to give up.

### Creative Development

This term we will be learning to paint farm animals, thinking about shape and colour choices. We will be having a go at Chinese writing as well as creating some Valentine's Day inspired art! Next term we will be creating some flower collages and using vegetables to paint with.

### Welly Walks

This term we will be developing our map skills at Wild About Barcombe. We will be using our maps to locate things we find, as well record our journey. For Chinese New Year we will be making boats to travel across the stream. We will also be learning how to keep safe around a camp fire.

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### Music

This term Mrs Tompsett will be teaching us to sing lots of different songs about our topic, the farm. We will be learning to use some percussion instruments while we sing.

### RE

This term, Mrs Tomsett will be helping us to find out about stories in the bible, which feature kindness and animals. We will be retelling the story of Noah's Ark. Next term we will be learning about the Easter story and why we celebrate Easter.



### Language and Literacy

This term we will be reading What The Ladybird Heard. We will be retelling the story and creating maps to help us remember what happened. We will be developing our writing skills by writing lists and learning to write short sentences.

Next term we will move onto reading Ten Seeds to support our learning on growing. Please encourage your child to write lists and label their pictures and models at home.

**Phonics** -We will be finishing off learning the individual sounds of the alphabet before we move onto learning about 'digraphs'. This is when two letters make one sound, e.g. sh, ch, oo. We are developing our recognition of high frequency words, to support our reading. Please help your child to recognise words such as to, go, no, the by sight.

### Understanding the World

This term we will looking out for signs of Winter on our walks. We will be getting involved in some ice investigations. Thinking about how to change water into ice and ice into water.

We will also be learning about Chinese New Year and finding out about their traditions and tasting some Chinese food.

### Our Learning Journey...

Our first topic is 'The Farm' where we will be learning about the animals that might live on a farm. We will be visiting Middle Farm. However, this will be reliant of parents being kind and able to provide transport for the children. We will be finding out about the journey milk makes from cow to supermarket, and using the milk to make smoothies. Next term our topic moves onto 'Growing things'. We will be planting some seeds and helping them to grow in our garden. We will be finding out about common plants growing in our local environment.