



Blackthorn Class Newsletter

Summer 2026

Welcome

Hello and Welcome back to Summer term,

We have lots of exciting learning opportunities in store over the coming weeks, keep a look out on EFL for photos of your children taking part in activities throughout the school day.

If you are struggling to access EFL and need a friendly reminder please reach out to your team for support and someone will get back to you with guidance.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us via the school office, home school diaries or by email - joy.ward@saxon.set.org.uk

Your class team,

Joy, Isabel, Kelly, Isobelle and Anete

Community and the wider world

Welcome back to the summer term! This term, during our community and the wider world sessions, we will embark on an exciting journey to explore the natural world using all our senses. Our focus will be on noticing and naming key features in our immediate environment, such as trees, grass, and stones. Through engaging activities, we will incorporate our topic of "Wish You Were Here: Town and Country Exploring Holidays." This will allow children to connect their sensory experiences with the broader themes of travel and the diverse landscapes we encounter. By fostering a sense of curiosity and appreciation for the natural world, we aim to establish a strong foundation for their understanding of the environment around them.

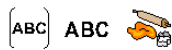
Thinking and problem solving

In our early maths sessions, we will focus on position and direction and sequencing and patterns. We will be working on the concepts of position and direction, as well as patterns and sequencing. Pupils will engage with basic positional language, including terms such as 'in', 'on', and 'under', in relation to various objects. This foundational vocabulary will be reinforced through continuous provision and sensory activities, allowing learners to explore these concepts through continuous provision and hands on experiences. We will incorporate patterns into play, encouraging pupils to identify and model the continuation of sequences. By integrating these elements into our curriculum, we aim to foster a deeper understanding of spatial awareness and problem solving.

Sensory intergration

We will continue to follow our sensory diets throughout the school day through the use of our sensory integration room and our own regulation area within class. This will help to keep our children regulated and focused throughout the school day. Some pupils join whole school sensory circuits at the start of the day, whilst other pupils take part in sensology which alerts and awakens their senses ready to focus.

My communication– English/ Cognition



This term in our Communication and Language sessions, we are excited to explore the theme “Wish You Were Here: City/Countryside.” Through this engaging focus, children will delve into stories that feature recurring literary language, enhancing their understanding and enjoyment of narratives. We will also introduce our Letter of the Week, which will help reinforce letter recognition and phonetic sounds. Each week, a Core Word will be highlighted, encouraging children to use it in various contexts, using their preferred communication styles.

Up coming events this term-

Transition day
Sports day
Queens day
Rainbow day



Hydro & Rebound

Our rebound session is a Friday morning, pupils will be on a rota and take turns to attend small groups sessions within class so they achieve the most benefit and are able to work on their personalised targets.

Our hydro session is a Wednesday morning this will also be on a weekly rota within class.



Snack time

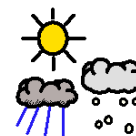
If you wish to send in a snack and juice for your child please do so, you can do this daily or send enough for the week which we will store in their box or fridge.



Weather

Please remember to send your child with appropriate clothing for the weather, especially as the weather can be unpredictable at this time of year. Please label sun crème

Our Forest school sessions are every other Wednesday, Please could you send waterproofs or warm coat and wellies if applicable on that day. Thank you



Class Physio

We are excited to share we are making a big push on our physio sessions in class! Following Physio advice and programmes set up by our school physios, we will be engaging in tailored physio activities designed to support our pupils individual needs.

These sessions will incorporate specialist equipment's for those who require it, as well as simple stretches and postural development exercises. To make these sessions fun we will use music and action songs to motivate pupils , creating a fun and positive environment for everyone to participate in.

We believe that these initiatives will not only enhance physical well being but also foster a sense of teamwork and enjoyment amongst our pupils.

PSHE

During our Independence and Wellbeing sessions this term, we will be focusing on the important theme of Being Safe. A key aspect of this will be exploring the concept of privacy. We aim to help children understand that their bodies belong to them and that they can have feelings about personal space.