



Elm Class Newsletter

September 2024

Welcome

Hello! We hope that you have all had a wonderful summer holiday and are looking forward to the year ahead in Elm Class! Our Elm Class Team:



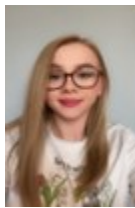
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Forest School

Our Forest School sessions are on a Friday morning. Please send in some warm clothing- coat/all-in-one/boots/hat & gloves (but ones that you don't mind getting a little dirty!) on a Friday morning or labelled for us to keep in school for the term.



Drinks and Snacks

We have milk, water and a variety of fruit available at snack times but please send in snacks and drinks if you would like your child to have anything specific. If your child has a special/preferred drinking cup/bottle please send it in and we will do our best to get a replica in school for them.

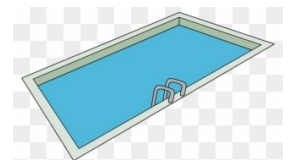


Therapies

Our Hydrotherapy session will be on a Monday morning. Please send in a swimming costume, towel and swim nappy (if necessary) each Monday.

Our Rebound Therapy session is on a Thursday morning.

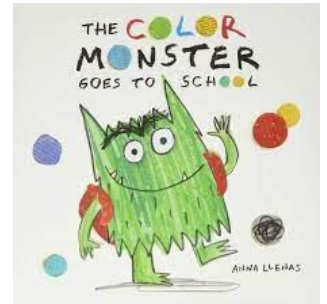
These sessions will be on a rota basis joined with the nursery class.



Topic

To begin the term we will be reading the book 'The colour monster starts school' to help settle the children into their new classroom. Our topic then for this term is 'My favourite things'. We will be exploring our different favourite things through sensory and play based activities in this time, and we will also cover 'What are our favourite celebrations?', looking at celebrations such as Harvest, Halloween, Diwali and Christmas.

If there is anything your child would like to share with their friends in class, or if there are any special dates/events coming up for your child that we could include in our topic to enhance their learning please let us know!



Home/School Diary

Home/School diaries are a great way to pass on important information from home to school and vice versa. With this in mind, we will be keeping these books for purely important information only, including what the children have eaten, how they have been emotionally and if there are any other further information you need to know. Please also keep us up to date with important information from home using the home/school diary. Updates on learning and activities, including what we have been up to in the day, will be uploaded to Evidence for Learning regularly.

Evidence for Learning

Each week we will upload observations of the children to ensure we are keeping families up to date with the children's progress and learning. We would love to hear back from you through the comments area. Please upload things you and your children have been up to at home so we can get to know their interests and include this into our weekly planning!

If you need support in accessing Evidence for Learning, please let me know and I will be sure to help where possible. There is also an Evidence for Learning Section on our school website: [Evidence for Learning - Saxon Hill Academy](https://www.saxonhillacademy.org.uk/evidence-for-learning)



Timetable

Here is a copy of our timetable to give you an idea of what your little people will be up to during their day at school. (The activities and times may change over the coming weeks based on the children's interests and needs—except for therapy sessions; they will stay the same) .

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Session 1	Phonics Therapy-Hydro	Physical Education (Hall Available)	Phonics	Literacy Therapy- Rebound	UTW– (Forest school)
Snack and Outdoor Play Children to work on independence skills throughout					
Session 2	Phonics Therapy- Hydro	Maths/Cognition	Maths/Cognition	Messy maths Therapy- Rebound	Celebration Assem- bly/PSED focus
Lunch Time and Outdoor Play					
Session 3	Music/Dance	Continuous Provision Play/EHCP target time	UTW focus (E.g. Cooking, Science, ICT etc)	Creativity	Personal Develop- ment Afternoon