

Owls and Hedgehogs Reception Class

Spring 1 Overview – Winter Wonderland Mrs Elliott and Miss Smith



Phonics



We will have a focussed phonics session every day in small groups. The children will continue to learn new sounds, practise blending sounds to read words and write the sounds we know, forming them correctly.

Children will practise the sounds they have learnt at different times throughout the day and we will have lots of

opportunities to embed our Fred Talking.



Please check the class page every week as we will share a Fred Story and Set 1 sound video for your child to practise at home.

Maths

Maths is taught every day in a variety of fun ways. We develop our maths skills in the provision, engaging in games, puzzles, manipulatives and activities, and in our daily maths session.



The children will continue to develop a sound understanding of numbers to 5, and then to 10. We will practise making totals in different ways, identify more and fewer than, order numbers and develop our spatial and positional vocabulary.

Theme

This half term our theme will be 'Winter Wonderland'. We will be learning all about the season of Winter. We will explore freezing and melting, ways to keep warm, winter clothing and seasonal changes. We will read non-fiction books about Winter. We will read the following books to support our theme.

- Gruffalo's Child by Julia Donaldson
- Dear Polar Bear by Barry Ablett
- Lost and Found by Oliver Jeffers
- One Snowy Night by Nick Butterworth

Key Songs

Each day the children will join in with singing known songs and nursery rhymes.

Our focus songs this half term will include:

- I Hear Thunder
- I'm A Little Snowman
- Penguin Comes for Tea
- Rain, Rain, Go Away



Every day the children will also take part in fun and engaging listening games as a whole class, to improve their focus, attention and concentration!

Chinese New Year

We will learn about the celebration of Chinese New Year, and we will be identifying the cultural traditions of this festival. The children will have the opportunity to role play in a Chinese Restaurant!

RF

This half term our focus will be 'Stories Jesus Heard'. We will learn about the stories from the Bible that Jesus may have heard when he was little including Noah's Ark, Daniel in the Lion's Den and Jonah and the Whale.

PE

PE day is on Tuesday. Please send your child into school with a named PE kit on this day. This term our focus is Dance.

Bolton Library

This half term we will be visiting Bolton Library and Aquarium. We will spend time learning how to use and enjoy the library.