



Hedgehogs and Owls - Reception



Summer Overview – ‘Way Back When’, ‘No Place like Home’ and ‘If You Go Down to the Woods...’

Miss Smith and Miss Russell

Read Write Inc Phonics

We continue to teach exciting and engaging phonics every day. The children access differentiated phonics groups matched to their ability and identified next steps. By the end of Reception children are expected to read and write simple sentences. Please remember to use the QR codes and follow the phonics links on your child’s class page; these will help improve your child’s confidence and phonic skill.



Your child will bring home a reading book or activity matched to their phonic knowledge – this needs to be returned to school every day so your child can read with an adult.

Maths

We are busy mathematicians in Reception! We take part in a ‘Mastering Number’ session and a Power Maths session every day. We have weekly mathematics group works and we explore number, numerical pattern, shape and measure throughout our continuous provision!

This term we will be continuing to build upon our knowledge of composition and structure of numbers. They will focus on ordinality: considering where numbers to 10 are in relation to each other. We continue to establish our connections when recognising number bonds to 10.



Theme

This term we will first begin with our History theme ‘Way back when’ We will be looking at how hats have changed and different types of hats.

We will then look at ‘No place like home’ and focus on how we take care of things and different kinds of homes.

We will look at :

- Different types of homes
 - Pets houses
 - Wild animals houses
 - Tents, dens and caves

Our final theme of the year will be ‘If you go down to the woods...’ During this we will focus on looking at

- Materials
- Trees
- Growing things
- Bears

We will finish our theme with an exciting teddy bears picnic on the school field.

Writing

Your child will continue to develop their writing in a number of ways this term. We continue to provide lots of opportunities to strengthen our fine motor skills with fun and exciting activities in the provision. As well as daily phonics we have a weekly writing job to help us practice.

How can I help at home?

Young children needs lots of opportunities to develop their confidence, fine motor skills and knowledge of letters before they are ready to become capable writers! You can help your child by helping them practice their name writing, signing birthday cards and writing notes. They could also help write lists of things to buy at the supermarket such as ‘jam’ and ‘tin’ ‘pop’. Remember, in Reception it is more important to ‘sound out’ the words, rather than spell them correctly.

Handwriting

This term we will be spending lots of time practicing our handwriting. This will be done daily, focusing on different letters and ensuring these are formed correctly.

Smithills Farm

This term we will be going on a trip to Smithills farm. The children will go on the mini bus for an exciting day out.

Forest School

If your child is taking part in forest school this half term, a letter will have been sent home.

Hedgehogs Forest School is Tuesday.
Owls Forest School is Thursday.

P.E

Owls PE day is Thursday.
Hedgehogs PE day is Friday.
Please send your child’s PE kit into school on their PE day.