

# Hedgehogs and Owls - Reception

Summer Overview
Mrs Elliott and Miss Ainsworth



#### 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.

## 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.

#### 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.



## 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.

#### Curriculum

Literacy — Our traditional tale focus will be 'The Enormous Turnip'. We will read the story and the children will complete activities in the provision.

History — Our theme is 'Peek into the Past'. The children will reflect on memories and experiences from their own past and comment on images of familiar situations in the past.

Geography — Our theme is 'Exploring Maps'. The children will explore maps through discussion, story-telling, games and creative activity.

RE — Our theme is 'Special Places'. The children will share places that are special to them. We will learn about different places of worship and that Christians worship in a church.

# 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.

## 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

Hedgehogs and Owls P.E is on a Friday.

Please send your child's PE kit into school each Friday.