

Welcome to Term 2

Dear Parents/ Carers,

We hope you all enjoyed a fantastic half-term break. We are excited for another term of great learning experiences.

We have two new texts to share with the children –The Bog Baby and Zog. For The Bog Baby we will be writing a character description using adjectives to describe. The final outcome for Zog will be to write a recount. To support this, we will be retelling the beginning middle and end of the story. Within both final outcomes, we will show off our skills of applying our phonic knowledge whilst continuing to build upon our understanding of sentence construction and the importance of capital letters and full stops. We are now learning new Phase 5 sounds as part of our daily phonics teaching so perhaps you can ask your child to share the new GPC each day.





In reading we are excited to introduce our term 2 'book cannon'. The selection focus this term is: winter, classic and fairy tale revisits. We will be sharing a new text each week developing fluency, comprehension and a love of reading.









In Maths this term we will be looking at addition and subtraction facts of 7-10, properties of 2D and 3D shapes and measurement.

In Science our topic is 'Animals – Including humans'. We will be looking at characteristics specific to mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians and fish.



We will have weekly lessons in PSHE, RE, British Values, History, Design and Technology, Computing and Online Safety. In DT we will be making snow globes. Please can we remind you to send in a clear, empty jar (with your child's name written inside) by Monday 1st December.

In PE the children will develop their sending and receiving skills including throwing and catching, rolling, kicking, tracking and stopping a ball. Please come to school dressed in your PE kit on Wednesday.

In music we are continuing our African drumming lessons on a Monday afternoon taught through the Swindon Music Service

Homework will be given out on a Friday and will be due in on the following Wednesday. Homework for this term will be phonics practice for our new Phase 5 GPCs.

Reading records will be sent home for you to annotate and sign. Each Friday, your child will be allocated a matched phonics book and a reading for pleasure book. Please record all reads in the reading record. We ask that children read at least 5 times a week to an adult. The number of reads are counted and then celebrated in assembly. Please note that we can only count a maximum of one read per day.

Reading groups will continue we have made some adjustments for days and times. You will have been sent an email if these changes have affected your child.

Many thanks for your continued support! We look forward to sharing another fantastic term with you all!

Meet the team

Please email if there is anything you wish to discuss

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