



April 2026

Dear Parents and carers,

We hope that you have all had a restful and enjoyable Easter break.

Topic: All Creatures Great and Small

This half term we will be looking at all different types of creatures from dinosaurs to sea creatures to mini beasts. We have lots of children who are really interested in different types of animals in our cohort. If your child is an expert in a particular area, they are welcome to bring a book to share with the class at some point over the half term. Similarly, if they have visited somewhere where they have seen/learnt about any of these topics please feel free to send in any photos (printed or via Google Classroom) or objects (labelled) and we will place these in our investigation area for the children to explore (please note that these will stay in the classroom for the remainder of the topic and then be sent home).

Please see the attached [Knowledge Organiser](#) for more information on what we will be learning about over the next few weeks in all areas of the curriculum.

Reading

Please continue to read with your child and write in the reading record when you have done so. Alongside sounding out the words please also encourage them to summarise, make predictions and discuss what has happened in the story. Reading books will continue to be changed on Fridays. Please return both reading and sharing books on these days. **Reading records must be signed by parents/carers 1-3 times a week.**

PE

For the first few weeks, we will be continuing with gymnastics and will be exploring the large gym apparatus. We will then move on to refining and practising our ball skills. After half term we will begin preparing for our Sports day by focusing on athletics and team games. Please ensure everything is labelled as we are acquiring an ever-growing pile of unnamed items.

Early Learning Goals

At the end of the year, the children will be assessed against the Early Learning Goals which we shared with you before parent's evening. If you have any questions or would like any further advice on how to support your child at home, please do not hesitate to contact us.

WOW moments

We continue to share our Wow Moments with the class. You can upload these onto Google Classroom, accompanied with a photo or short video clip, to help your child to talk about their experiences. We will then print the photographs to put into our class photo album which the children can look at in our home corner.

£1 weekly donation

A huge thank you for all the weekly and termly donations, this money enables us to enrich our curriculum by purchasing additional resources. Last term we were able to take part in cooking, buy resources for our Stay and Play, invest in some new maths resources and replenish our popular creative area.

Upcoming events:

Monday 4th May: Bank holiday, no school

Badger's class assembly: Friday 24th April 9am-9.30am

Hedgehog's class assembly: Friday 1st May 9am-9.30am

Parents and carers are invited to come and watch the assembly where the children will perform, displaying some of the wonderful things we have learnt.

Monday 25th May- Friday 29th May: Half term

Monday 1st June: INSET day, no school

EYFS Sports day **Wednesday 10th June 9 – 9.45am:** Parents and carers can come and watch.

Children to come to school in their PE kits on this day.

Friday 26th June- School trip to Cedars Park Nature Reserve

Thursday 9th July Transition Day- children to meet their new teacher and visit the classroom for the morning.

Thursday 23rd July end of term: School finishes at 1.30pm

Sun safety

It is important during the summer months that we make every effort to keep children safe in the sun. This includes wearing clothing which covers their shoulders, shoes that are safe to run, jump and climb in and wearing a **named** sunhat to school each day. Please also remember to send your child in with a **named** water bottle every day. Please apply a high factor sun cream (at least factor 30) to your child **before** school. Children may bring in sun cream to reapply before lunch, but they are only permitted to do this when an adult has given permission and they are being supervised. Please make them aware that they are not to share their sun cream with anyone else.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to come and speak to us. Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

Miss O'Doherty, Miss Devine and Mrs Hawton