

### Things to Remember...

- **Our PE sessions are on Mondays and Tuesdays.** Please come to school wearing your PE kit for the whole day.
- Show and Tell – check the class timetable to find out what day you can bring something special in to show the class.
- Please bring a water bottle in everyday, so that your child has a drink in the classroom.

***Please come and speak to myself and Mrs Hills if you have any questions or queries, however big or small, we will do our best to help.***

### Reading

Each week, the children will bring home:

- A Rocket Phonics book that is linked to the sounds they are learning that week.
- A storybook for you to share at home.

We expect that your child reads at home at least 3 times a week. Even a couple of pages a day makes a huge difference!

Please make sure your child has their book bag and reading books inside every day.

### Thursday Welly Walks!

On Wednesday afternoons, we will go to Forest School.

We ask that you send your child to school dressed in old, warm clothes, to enable us to take our learning to Wild About Barcombe. Lots of layers keep us warm when it gets chilly. And don't forget your waterproofs! We go whatever the weather!

On Friday afternoons, we will have our class welly walk on the Recreation ground.

For this, we will just put on our welly boots and coat.

### Tapestry – Reception children

The children love to share their adventures with us and their peers!

So please share some photographs from your weekend, or things they have been enjoying out of school. It could be a craft or building activity, a day out somewhere, making a cake, a dance or even music lessons!

### Dates for your diary:

Hedgehog Curriculum Meeting – Friday 12<sup>th</sup>  
January 9am in Hedgehog Classroom.

World Book Day – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March

Parent Consultations – Week beginning 25<sup>th</sup>  
March

Easter Service – Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March

# Welcome to Hedgehog Class

## Curriculum Information

## Terms 3 & 4



**Teacher: Miss Eaglen**  
**Teaching Assistants: Mrs Hills**  
**Ms Dunk and Ms Arnold**

### **Reception Phonics**

We will be continuing to learn the individual letter sounds, before moving on to learn about 'digraphs'. These are 2 letters together, that make one new sound. For example; sh, ch, oo, ee. We continue to use the Rocket Phonics scheme and books.

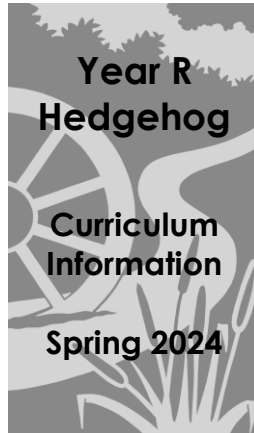
We will learn 2 sounds each week and I will send home the corresponding worksheets each Friday, to enable you to support your child become familiar with these.

We will also be learning recognise some tricky words by sight.

So far we have learnt to read:

I, go, to, no, the, into.

Keep your eyes peeled for these when you are doing your reading together!



### **Mathematical Development**

We will begin to identify when two sets are equal or unequal and connect two equal groups to the word 'double'. We will continue to explore how to add within 5 as well as exploring the numbers 6 and 7. We will continue to count aloud beyond 20, recognising the repeating pattern within the counting numbers.

### **Language and Literacy**

This term, we will be retelling the story of The Three Little Pigs, using some actions to help us. We will be learning about speech and thought bubbles. We will then be getting into character when reading the Gruffalo, thinking about how the Gruffalo and the Mouse feel during the story.

We will be focusing on holding our pencil with a tripod grip and forming our letters with the correct formation shapes.

This term, we will be having a go at segmenting and writing words by ourselves, as well as learning to write a short sentence with some support.

### **PSED**

In PSED, we will be exploring our dreams and goals. We will talk about the importance of resilience and determination. We will work on our team skills and helping one another to achieve a shared goal.

### **RE**

In term 3, we will be learning about the Christian story of Creation. We will find out about all of the things God made and think about how we can look after them.

In term 4, we will be finding out about the Easter story and the symbols of new life.

### **Physical Development**

In PE this term, we will be focussing on gymnastics. We will be exploring different ways of travelling and balancing on different body parts. We will then move onto apparatus and try out a variety of jumping styles.

### **Art and DT**

We will be learning how to draw a house, and a Gruffalo. We will be using our cooking skills to make iced biscuits, Gruffalo crumble and a Chinese stir fry! We would love to see things you cook at home on Tapestry.

We are learning about how to make a house from a cardboard box, by cutting a door and adding a roof. We will use these skills when designing a house for Grandpa Pig in term 4.

### **Our Project is... Home**

In term 3, we will be focusing on different types of homes. We will be going on a walk around our village to look at different houses, and their styles. Cooking is a special part of being at home, so we will be developing our cooking skills with some familiar favourites.

In term 4, we will extend our idea of 'home' and think about planet Earth as our home. We will find out about the oceans and continents when looking at the world map. We will be talking about how special our Earth home is and how we can help look after it by recycling and reusing things.

We are also hoping to arrange a trip to Middle Farm, to find out about pigs and animal homes. We will also learn a little more about where our food comes from.