

Forest School

You will receive more information soon via dojo to tell you more about Forest School. Please ensure your child has wellies and water-proof clothing in school ready to go. Many thanks for your support.

Reading books

Reading books will be changed every **Friday**. Please read with your child every day at home and write in their home school diaries that they have read with you. If your child has read at home 4 times by Friday then they will receive 'Regular Reader' Dojo points.

Enrichment Fund

This half term the enrichment fund will be used to fund a storyteller to come in and bring our Julia Donaldson topic to life! They will take part in creative role play, dance and storytelling.

Weekly learning update

On dojo each week we will let you know what we are learning about and give you some optional tasks linked to our weekly learning. This will help to support your child's learning in school.

How to help your child at home

- Keep practising to write their name independently.
- Practise counting different amounts of objects.
- Read daily at home and encourage your child to talk about their book and record in their diary.
- Play maths games to help children learn their numbers and shapes.
- Encourage your child to dress and undress independently and fasten coats by themselves.

Thank you so much for your continued support at home. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask.

Curriculum Information

Autumn Term 2026

Foundation



Ladybirds class



Butterflies class

This leaflet is to provide you with some information about what the children will be learning this term within each area of the Early Years Foundation Curriculum.

If you need further details about anything in this leaflet then please contact your child's teacher who will be more than happy to help.

We look forward to working with you during the year so that your child can enjoy school life and achieve as much as they possibly can.

The Foundation Team

Foundation staff:

Butterflies teachers: Mrs Patterson and Miss Mungham

Ladybirds teacher: Miss Bateson

Teaching Assistants: Miss Appleby and Mrs Moore (HLTA)

Key dates:

25.9.26— Macmillan coffee morning
8.10.26— Maths evening
9.10.26 — Mental health day (Wear yellow)
21.10.26 and 22.10.26— Parents evening
20.11.26— Children in Need
4.12.26 - Christmas Carol concert
10.12.26— Foundation nativity
16.12.26— Christmas jumper day
17.12.26 and 18.12.26— Inset days

Topics

Autumn term 1: All About Me

Autumn term 2: Julia Donaldson

Reading and Writing

Within the first few weeks the children will be working on writing their names, using correct letter formation and working on using good pencil control. The children will be taught phonics every day in small 'Read Write Inc.' groups. They will begin to learn letter sounds and names and will begin to blend sounds to read simple words. After half term, we will be reading a range of Julia Donaldson stories and will learn about the characters, rhyme and rhythm and sequencing stories.



Maths

Number: The children will learn to reliably count objects. They will match and sort objects and start to compare amounts. We will look at the composition of numbers as well as number bonds to 5. We will also begin to introduce more and less.

Shape/Patterns: The children will learn to name and compare a variety of 2D shapes. We will also begin to copy, continue and make simple patterns using shapes.

Measure: The children will compare the size, mass and capacity of objects and use mathematical language such as large, small tall, short etc. We will also learn to use language to describe the positions of things e.g. behind, next to etc. The children will also explore the idea of night and day and talk about their daily routine.



Understanding of the world

During our topic 'All About Me' we will be talking about ourselves and our families, as well as learning about our new school community. In the second half term we will be learning about the Diwali festival and celebrations. We will also be learning about Christmas and the meaning of the nativity story.

Personal Social and Emotional

We will be learning about the class and school rules. We will also be building relationships and learning how to share and take turns fairly.



Communication and language

We will be learning to follow instructions correctly. We will also be listening attentively to stories and talking about key events.

Expressive arts and design

During the topic 'All About Me' we will be creating art based around ourselves. We will sing a variety of songs and we will play imaginatively in the home corner and doctors surgery. In the second half term we will explore colours and find out what happens when we mix them.



P.E

PE is taught by Coach Dave or Coach Culley. The children will be taught a range of skills through multiskills and also gymnastics. Please ensure that the children have the correct PE kit in school all week in case of any extra activities they complete.

PE kits should include: Plain white t-shirt, black PE shorts, black plim-solls for indoor PE and trainers for outdoor.

Warm outdoor PE kit should be brought in during colder weather: sweatshirt, tracksuit and trainers.