



Hedgehog Class Newsletter Spring Term 2023

Happy New Year!

Welcome back. We hope you have all had a good break and enjoyed spending time with your family.

Our topic this term is, '**Home Sweet Home**'. We will be finding out about different homes and buildings, our own families and animal families.



We will be having PE on a **Tuesday** and a **Thursday**. Please make sure your child has their PE kit to keep in school and items of clothing are clearly labelled.



Our forest day is on **Thursday**. Can your child bring forest clothes in a labelled bag on the day (pm session). We also need a pair of wellies to keep in school. Please ensure that your child's clothing is suited for all types of weather.



The Team

Class Teacher: Mr T Robinson

Teaching Assistants: Mrs Thompson, Miss Baker & Miss Connigale





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Throughout our Literacy lessons we will be focusing on the children's use of and understanding of language. We will explore the topic using a range of books, these will include: *My Mum is Fantastic!*, *Owl Babies*, *The Three Little Pigs*, *Jack and the Beanstalk* and *The Gruffalo*. We will continue to have daily phonics sessions this will enable the children to further develop their reading and writing.

Our work in Maths will continue to be based around the areas of Number and Shape, Space and Measure. The Using and Applying of our Maths skills will link to all of our work and learning opportunities. Each child will work at their own individual pace and complete work to their level of understanding. Our topic mathematics focus will be measurement—weight, length and time. We will also be investigating patterns, 3D shapes and directions.

This term we will be drawing and painting lots of pictures of our homes and families. We will explore junk modelling; making a house and a castle etc. In Geography, we will be finding out about where we live as well as different homes around the world. In History, we will look at 'old' and 'new' household objects and castles. In Science, we will learn about animals and we will investigate the properties of different materials. In Computing, we will be learning to program Beebots and use a range of programs to support learning.

The children will continue to have the opportunity to take part in exciting cycling activities. Specialist instructors will be in school leading the sessions. Children will start out on special pedal-less balance bikes and take part in a series of fun activities aimed at building the confidence, spatial awareness and dynamic balance skills that will help your child to cycle. When ready, the children will then progress onto pedal bikes with an aim to learn how to ride their bike independently without stabilisers.

Our class email is: hedgehogs@woodsetton.dudley.sch.uk

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Please use the home/school book to inform us of any important information. Please call the school office if you any need any support. 01384 818265

Thankyou for your ongoing support.

