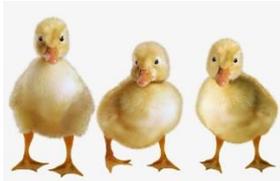




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Duckling Class- Year R and 1 – Learning Overview for Parents



Autumn term 2 2021

Monday 1st November 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope the children have had a restful break and have enjoyed lots of family time in readiness for the very busy second part of the autumn term.

This half term we will be using the beautiful story book 'The Jolly Christmas Postman' where our learning will be based around the journey that is taken through the book. Although 'Christmas' is in the title we will not be undertaking any work in relation to this until later in the term. The Jolly Christmas Postman should make the end of his journey around the second week of December which is when we will begin more Christmas activities in the classroom.

Also this half term is always a particularly busy one with lots of exciting events happening as we head towards Christmas! The children will be learning songs, practicing lines and brushing up on their acting skills as we work together to create our Nativity to share with you during December.

Our School Week

Your child's teacher will continue to be Mrs Hancock assisted by Miss Ellis. From Thursday 4th November, the children will continue to have a morning PE session with a sports coach. These sessions may be held outside so please make sure your child has their full kit with them, including a spare pair of socks for girls if they are wearing tights.

Forest School

This term, Duckling class will have a Forest School session on a Tuesday afternoon. These will begin on Tuesday 2nd November. Please ensure that your child has their forest school kit with them every Tuesday.

Reading Books

Please could you continue to support your child by reading with your them as often as possible, ideally daily. Please sign your child's home reading record each time your child reads at home and share any comments in support if you wish to do so.

Please talk to your child about what they have read so they can show their understanding of the text. By rereading the text, it supports your child to gain in confidence and fluency as well as enabling a better understanding of what they have read.





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Reception children started the RWI phonic lessons last half term. Once they are confident with several sounds we will be sending home reading books for them to share with you. If you can read every evening with them this will support their development well and increase their confidence with their early reading skills. We do only have limited supplies of the reading scheme books so please can we ask you to support your child in looking after the books.

Homework

Year One children will continue to have a 'Pick and Mix' style homework which will support the learning taking place in the classroom. The children produced some creative, well presented homework last half term with lots of lovely learning being shared at home. We really appreciate the support provided with this and the children have enjoyed sharing their homework with pride.

Reception children should focus on their reading this half term building up their early blending skills. Children should also be provided with experiences of reading and sharing books as frequently as possible to encourage and develop their phonics skills. Please support your children to use their little green sound books to revisit the sounds taught so far. If they are happy to practice their letter formation, then let them try this in a range of different ways. This could be on a flour covered side, using a paintbrush outside with water on slabs, chalks on slabs, bath crayons or simply a new pencil and pad.

We value your continuing support with your children's learning. If you have any concerns at any time, please do not hesitate to talk to either Mrs Hancock or Miss Ellis.

Water bottles

Please continue to send in a named water bottle for your child. The children are welcome to refill their bottles if they finish them before home time so please be aware this may have happened and so it may look like little water has been drunk across the day.

We look forward to working with your child once again.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Hancock

