



Year 2 – Hedgehog Class - Autumn 2026 Newsletter

Welcome back! This term we will be learning how our environment can be changed, encouraging the children to become “change agents”. This culminates in a lovely visit to Otterbourne Play Park.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- **Library Books:** Please bring all books to school on a Wednesday for changing
- **PE:** children need to have a fully labelled, complete PE kit in school every day.
- **PE days:** Monday afternoon is outdoor PE with R & R. Friday afternoon is indoor PE
- **Listen to Me (Music)** is on a Tuesday afternoon with Hampshire Music Service
- **Reading:** reading diaries and reading books need to be brought in every Wednesday or on other days if you need more books
- **Homework:**
 - **Spellings:** we have our spellings ‘quiz’ each week on a Friday morning and new spellings are sent home each Friday night.
 - **Reading at home:** please continue to listen to your child read daily and support them practising their Phase 5 phonics.
 - **Help with homework:** please let us know if you would like support with the learning at home

KEY DATES

- Parents Evening - 5th and 7th October
- Art Fair - 8th October
- Harvest Festival - 9th October
- Flu Vaccination - 16th October
- Inset Day - 2nd November
- Individual School Photos - 16th November
- Be Bright Be seen for Children in Need - 20th November
- Year 1 Nativity - 10th December
- Christmas School Disco - 14th December
- Christmas Dinner day - 17th December
- Candlelit Carols in church - 18th December

SCHOOL ENRICHMENT: TRIPS, VISITORS AND EXPERIENCES

Playpark Visit – date to be confirmed

THE PILLARS OF OUR CURRICULUM

This term, will be focusing on:

SUSTAINABILITY AND CHANGE

Being change agents. Recognising how environments can be improved.

Seeking views of themselves and others.

OVERVIEW OF LEARNING IN YEAR 2 THIS HALF TERM

For more detailed information, please visit the [Our Curriculum](#) pages of our website. The .pdf version of this newsletter also includes links to some subject pages.

MATHS ([click here](#))

- Number and Place Value
- Addition and Subtraction
- Measurement

ENGLISH ([click here](#))

- We're Going on a Bear Hunt – retell a familiar story
- Little Red – comparing new stories with traditional tales

SCIENCE

Trees – Science Skills

Materials – Identify, Sort and Compare properties

MUSIC

Listen to me Weekly provided by Hampshire Music Service

Animals – West African call and response songs

Nativity – Songs and Performance

COMPUTING

Word Processing – using the computer programme “Word”

Online Safety – How to keep safe online

GEOGRAPHY

Places to Play – How can we improve Otterbourne Play Park?

ART AND DESIGN / DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

Apple Crumble – Understanding where our food comes from

RE

Responsibility – Focus on Christianity

PSHE

Aiming High and **Safety First**