



Hambridge Community Primary School Curriculum Information

Class

Discovery-Foundation Stage

Term

Autumn 2024

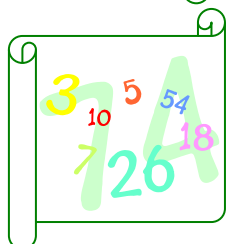
Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to the first term of this academic year, we hope you had a lovely summer and are as excited as we are for the term. This letter is designed to provide key information about our learning this term. We are thrilled to have some familiar faces in our class again this year and extend a very warm welcome to those parents/carers and children joining us this September. Joining us this year are the wonderful Mrs Hole and Miss Allen. Please remember that if you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to come and see us. The best time to catch us is after school once all children have been picked up.

Miss K Royal and Miss S Parsons

SUBJECT	CONTENT
English	We will be looking at a range of different texts. We will focus on the books 'Three Billy Goats Gruff', 'The Smeds and the Smoos', 'Stickman' and 'How to catch a star'. We will be starting level 2 of the 'Twinkl Phonics' programme, learning to write our name, read and write common exception words, learning how to form letters correctly on a line and start to blend and segment simple CVC words.
Mathematics	In Maths, we will be looking at place value and composition of numbers to 5 and shapes and patterns.
Understanding the world	<p>The subject areas covered are Science, History, Geography and RE.</p> <p>Our topics in science this term are: 'The human body' and 'Materials' We will begin by learning to accurate vocabulary to describe the human body and look at the seasonal changes that take place from autumn to winter.</p> <p>In the first part of the Autumn term, we will focus on looking at what our local area is like. We will draw information from simple maps, describe features of our immediate environment, go on a local area walk and create our own local area map. We will be looking at the gunpowder plot in the second half of the Autumn term. We will look at what life was like in the Stuart era, Guy Fawkes, the story of the gunpowder plot and how we remember the 5th of November.</p> <p>In religion and worldviews our focus this term will be on 'Belonging'. We will be focusing on the 3 religions Christianity, Islam and Judaism. This unit focuses on what it means to belong and enquire how a faith member has a sense of belonging to their faith. We will explore what it means to belong to a faith family, becoming a member and keeping the rules. By the end of the unit, children will be able to associate some symbols and artefacts with naming ceremonies, connect sacred texts to the appropriate faith and explain how belonging to a faith starts with a naming ceremony and is lived out in daily life. In our Christmas unit we will be learning the nativity story and how we celebrate Christmas.</p>
Creative Development	<p>In Autumn 1 Discovery will be having music lessons with Mrs Stringer (music teacher) at Hambridge. In Autumn 2 we will be learning songs for our Christmas nativity!</p> <p>In art we will be creating our own firework pictures using chalk and in DT we will be making healthy wraps where we will focus on using cutlery.</p>
Physical Development	<p>In Autumn 1 a Somerset cricket coach will be teaching Discovery cricket on a Monday and we will have tag rugby on a Wednesday.</p> <p>In Autumn 2 our PE units are Gymnastics and Fitness.</p>

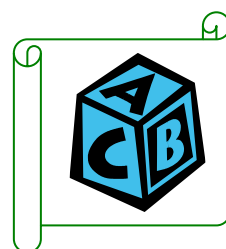
Homework



MATHEMATICS

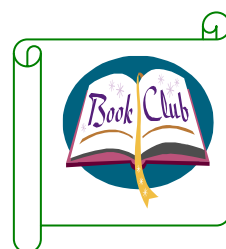
Children will be set a short weekly maths task. This may be a maths activity or game to consolidate learning in class.

Have fun exploring the fun activities on Numbots! Logins to be handed out shortly.



PHONICS

A 'Phonics parent information sheet' will be sent home at the end of each week which link to the sounds the children have learnt that week. Each sheet has the mnemonic, action, formation rhyme, song and focus words from the focus written/sound Correspondence.



READING

Children will take home books to read. They will be expected to read 5 times a week. Reading at home is to be recorded in their reading record books by parents/carers.

Once your child has read the book 3 times it will then be changed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- ◆ Please ensure your child brings in their reading book and reading record every day.
- ◆ Homework is set on a **Friday**. Please help your child to complete their homework and return it to school the following **Wednesday**.
- ◆ Please sign your child's reading record each time you hear them read.
- ◆ In Autumn 1 our PE days are **Monday** and **Wednesday**. In Autumn 2 our PE days are **Wednesday** and **Friday**.
- ◆ We ask that parents/carers wait behind the black metal fence in the playground to collect and drop off their child/children. Please ensure you inform the school if there will be somebody different picking your child up.
- ◆ A piece of fruit at break times is provided by the school for free and children under five years old also get a free carton of milk. Please ensure that any other snacks brought to school for morning break times should be either fruit or vegetables.
- ◆ Please ensure your child's PE kit and school uniform are named.
- ◆ We ask that your child does not bring in any toys from home. The reason for this is that items usually become the source of conflict and/or upset because they get damaged, lost or "borrowed" by others.
- ◆ We encourage children to drink water regularly during the day and water bottles can be brought in daily and stored in our tray.