Hedgehogs

AUTUMN 2 NEWSLETTER 2026



We have had a fantastic start to the school year and we are now looking forward to our topic Let's Celebrate! We will be celebrating Bonfire Night, Remembrance day, Diwali, Thanksgiving and of course Christmas!









Our team



Mrs Bradshaw, Mrs Shepherd, Mrs Freeman, Miss Hibberd, Mrs Patel, Miss Ferguson, Miss Faulkner
Please speak to any one of us if you have any concerns or need any support.



Talk for Writing

Children will embark on the early stages of the Talk For Writing process by listening to and learning the classic story "The Gingerbread Man" and creating actions. We will incorporate this story into our daily provision through art activities, role play and games.
We will also be introducing initial sounds through our Little Wandle phonics programme as well as our daily Rhyme Time.







Mathematics

This term our focus is on introducing the numbers 1 and 2 through counting, number recognition and subitising. We will also look at patterns using colours, shapes and sizes.
There will be weekly updates on Seesaw as to what you can do at home to support your child's learning.

Dates for the Diary



Mon 2 Nov - Start of Autumn 2 term
Mon 9 Nov - N2 Parents stay and play 2-3
Tue 10 Nov - N1 Parents stay and play 2-3
Thu 13 Nov - FOSMAS Own Clothes Day for chocolate
Fri 20 Nov - FOSMAS Own Clothes Day for bottles
Fri 27 Nov - FOSMAS Christmas Fair
Tue 8 Dec - EYFS Nativity @930am
Wed 9 Dec - EYFS Nativity @930am
Thu 10 Dec - FOSMAS Christmas Jumper Da
Fri 11 Dec - Phyllis Tuckwell Reindeer R
Tue 15 Dec - Openbox Panto/Nativity
Wed 16 Dec - Drama Llamas @930
Fri 18 Dec - End of Term, 1pm finish



Our value this half term is:
Service

Important Info

Tuesday / Friday - Nursery 2 PE
wear comfortable clothing/tie back long hair/remove earrings
Monday / Thursday - Forest School
ensure wellies are at nursery
Wednesday - Library Books change
please return library books on this day

Please provide waterproof trousers/suits and wellington boots as we like to be outside rain or shine!





How to say the Phase 2 sounds

If the child cannot make accurate speech sounds, accept the sounds they make.

Grapheme card	Picture card	Pronunciation phrase
s	S	Show your teeth and let the **s** hiss out **ssssss**
a	a	Open your mouth wide and make the **a** sound at the back of your mouth **a**
t	t	Open your lips; put the tip of your tongue behind your teeth and press **t**
p	p	Bring your lips together, push them open and say **p**
l	l	Pull your lips back and make the **l** sound at the back of your mouth **l**
n	n	Open your lips a bit; put your tongue behind your teeth and make the **nnnnn** sound **nnnnn**



How to help at home...
Encouraging good sleep routines



Busy days at nursery mean that your child needs to be getting a good nights sleep. Here are some top tips but please speak to us or your health visitor if your child is struggling with their bedtime routines.

- Provide a comfortable, uncluttered sleeping place and a relaxing bedroom environment.
- Use calming and relaxing approaches such as a bath, puzzles and reading. Limit screen time before bed.
- Support your child to self-settle.
- Establish a regular bedtime routine and be consistent every day of the week.
- It can take several weeks or even months to establish a new routine so keep at it and persevere, you will get there!