

Dear Parents,

This term our topic is "All creatures great and small" focusing the learning on animals, we hope to have eggs in an incubator so lots of our learning will be around eggs and chicks. Once the chicks are hatched, we will keep them until the Summer holidays. We will continue to develop and encourage other interests the children may have. If there are things the children are really interested in at home please let us know.

Phonics

We will continue to send home the letters that the children find difficult, so they can practise them at home.

This term we will continue to focus on phase 3 sounds, they are much trickier than phase 2 and we spend a lot of time diagraph spotting and using them explicitly in our writing. We will send home the sounds your child doesn't know. Please practise them home, you can hide them around the house, get your child to teach you them, play match the sound by finding the sound in a magazine or book, jump on the sound, shout the sound out, find an object that has the sound in it.

Most children can now recognise phase 2 tricky words and can write them. This term we will focus on phase 3 reading and writing. If your child can already do this then we will look at phase 4 tricky words with them.

Phase 2 words: the I to no go into

Phase 3 words: you he they she all we are me my be her was

Phase 4 words: said have like so do some come were there little one when out what

Once your child can read the set of words in a variety of contexts, please regularly practise writing them and then make sentences using them.

We will send home handwriting sheets and tricky words to practise at home. They will be sent home every Wednesday.

Number

In number we will be looking at numbers 13-20 and focusing on the order of numbers, counting backwards as well as forwards. We will be looking at different ways of making numbers. We will also be counting in 2's,5's and 10's.

We will be looking and learning about coins and using 'The Great Pet Sale' to support this. We will also be using 'The Odd Egg' for the language of comparison and looking at distance and time whilst we are looking at the story of 'Noah's ark'.

PE

PE will be on Wednesday mornings this term. The children will be doing athletics- running, long jump, throwing as well as doing relay races and obstacle races.

Please ensure your child always has a hat in school. If sun is forecast, please apply suncream before school.

Thank you.

Please come and talk to us if you have any questions or queries.

Mrs Mayer

Miss Hatherall

Mrs Woodhouse