

RECEPTION NEWSLETTER



Week Commencing 27th April 2026



Phonics

Mrs. Dawson's group are reviewing all Set 1 single-letter sounds speedily. They are blending independently using Phonics Green Word Cards (Word Time 1.1 to 1.5). They are spelling using Fred Fingers.

Word time - 1.2(4) Word time - 1.2 (2)



Mrs. Blackford's group are reviewing Set 1 sounds speedily and reading Word Time 1.7 words (words with double consonants and 4- and 5-sound words). They are learning special friends and reviewing Word Time 1.1 to 1.6, reading 3- and 4-sound nonsense words, and spelling using Fred Fingers.

Word time 1.6 (4) (th) Word time - 1.6 (5) (ng)



The children have had a wonderful time at the theatre. The production was great fun with lots of singing, dancing and participation. We will be doing enrichment activities following our trip.

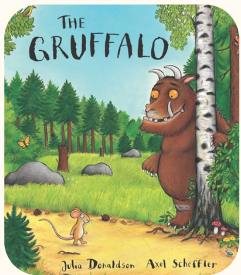
As the weather gets warmer and sunnier, please can we remind parents to provide children with a sun hat. We advise that you put sunscreen on in the mornings before school as we are unable to apply sunscreen to the children

We are continuing our focus on handwriting. To support your child at home there is a helpful website called Handwriting Repeater (<https://handwritingrepeater.app/>).

-Mrs Blackford and Mrs Dawson
and the Early Years team

Maths

This week, children will focus on counting forwards and backwards to and from 20. Children will explore one more and one less than numbers to 20, as well as comparing numbers.



Our book this week

We are reading The Gruffalo by Julia Donaldson familiarising the sequence of the story and the repeating phrases in preparation for our school trip.

Gruffalo Day

On Thursday we have planned a Gruffalo themed day. We have lots of fun filled activities for them to do including making Gruffalo crumble, building a log pile house, using clay to make a Gruffalo and going on a treasure hunt. Children are to come in school uniform as usual.

Diary Dates

Monday 25th May - Half Term
Tuesday 2nd June - Chestnut Class Paxton Pits
Wednesday 3rd June - Willow Class Paxton Pits

School Lunches

Please can we request that school lunches are ordered **before 8:30 am** each day. You can also order for the whole week or half term

Miss. Ayott's group are earning Set 2 sounds and reviewing all Set 1 single-letter sounds speedily with word time 1.6 and 1.7 including words with double consonants and 4 & 5 - sound words. They are learning to read longer words and spelling using Fred Fingers.

igh (high) ow (snow)



Mrs. Cummings' group are reviewing Set 2 sounds and learning to read them speedily. They are reading the matching Phonics Green Words including longer words. They are reading Set 2 nonsense words and spelling using Fred Fingers

Word Challenge Set 2 - Lesson 3 & 4



QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR CHILDREN THIS WEEK.

- Who did you sit next to on the coach?
- How do you make Gruffalo crumble?
- What was your favourite part of the school trip?