



ACORN CLASS



Spring Term Newsletter 2025

Happy New Year!

We hope that you have all had a wonderful Christmas break and are looking forward to the term ahead.

We would like to welcome all of our new starters and families to Acorn Class, we are looking forward to having you as part of our Acorn family.

Acorn Class Spring themes - Amazing Animals and Come Outside!

Our theme for the first half of the Spring term is all about Animals

We will be exploring each of the continents of the World, focusing on one continent per week. We will explore what life is like on each continent and also find out about the animals which call each of the continents home.

We will also be exploring some places of interest in each continent, including the 7 wonders of the world.

In the second half of the term our theme is Come Outside.

In this topic, we will be stepping into Spring and looking at what happens as the Seasons change. We will be exploring the planets and the Earth, Sun and Moon, as well as what happened with the moon landing. We will be looking out for signs of Spring and exploring what happens when plants start to grow.

Throughout the term we will be exploring a number of celebrations and days such as Chinese New Year, Lent and Easter. If you have anything at home which you would like to share with us that would be amazing!

Phonics:

Phonics continues to be taught daily to the children.

The children in reception work in two groups in which they have been consolidating sounds which they know. We continue to learn new sounds as the Spring term progresses and read new words, during phonics children are also taught how to spell words.

The nursery children continue to work on sounds around them. We will be working on rhyme and looking at the initial sounds of words, so please do help at home with this and talk about the sounds which make up words.

Reading books and Rock to the Top

Most of the reception children are now bringing home reading books. It would be fantastic if you could listen to your child read each night and then sign their yellow reading books.

In order to Rock to the Top the children have to have read at home on 4 different occasions each week.

For children in Nursery, please continue to read to your child, reading helps to develop vocabulary and communication skills.

PE Lessons

For the first half of the Spring term we will have a Dance session run by our dance coach on a Tuesday, so all children come to school in their PE kits on Tuesday.

On Friday we will also continue to do PE, we will be practising and improving our ball control and skills with this.

If this changes we will let you know on Seesaw.

Daily Routine

In EYFS all children have access to the continuous provision. This is a number of different activities for the children to explore and learn through play.

Our daily routine will always include phonics sessions, maths focus, a story and singing time.

School clothes:

Please ensure that all children's clothes are labelled with their names, including coats and shoes.

In order to help us, please practise with your child so they can put on their own shoes and socks independently.

Practise with coats and zips would be beneficial too.

Seesaw:

Seesaw continues to be the best form of communication between home and school. Please keep an eye on Seesaw in case of any last minute changes or reminders.

We will try to respond to messages as soon as possible on Seesaw, but for absences or emergencies please do continue to contact the school office. Remember we will be teaching during the day so we may not see your messages.

Celebrations at home:

We love to hear all about what you have been doing at home. If there is anything you would like to share with us, please send these via Seesaw.

Many thanks for your support.
The Acorn Class team