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## Spring Newsletter

Class: Hedgehog

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We ask for **£10** contribution each term for healthy snacks. Equally you are welcome to send your child's healthy morning snack in every day/weekly in your child's bag.



### Physical

In PE this term we will be focussing on Games, specifically hockey, in Spring 1 and Dance in Spring 2.

This half term, Hedgehog Class will continue to have rebound every Thursday.

Please ensure P.E. kits are sent in this term. It is important that we learn independent dressing skills as part of our session.



### Literacy

Our literacy focus this half term is Autobiographies. We will be looking at biographies through the Little People Big Dreams books and writing about ourselves. In Spring 2, we will be focussing on Playscripts.

On a Friday, we will have individual reads and reading books will be changed. Please make sure you return these books every Friday. The books that are sent home are one level below their phonics to build the children's confidence. Therefore, children working at Phase 1 or 2 will choose a picture book from the library. Children at Phase 3 or above will have a phonetic book to read.

You can also access the Oxford Owl e-book library using the following details: Class name—Inks2; Password—InKS2

### Communication

Each week the children will have a streamed communication session based on their Blank Level and a structured communication session with class groups.

Communication is also threaded into everything we do in the school and within every session.

## Maths

Number: we will be focussing on addition and subtraction including finding one more and one less than a set of objects.

Geometry: we will be focusing on position and direction and vocabulary such as forwards, backwards, fast, slow, up, down.

Measure: we will be focussing on length and height of objects by comparing sizes and using vocabulary (for example, tall, short, longer)

## Equipment needed:

Please ensure water bottles, spare clothes and kits are *named*.

**Tuesdays**—P.E. kits (these can be kept in school for the half term)

**Fridays**—Swimming kits and Outdoor Learning (alternate weeks)

## Key Dates:

- Week beginning 22nd January— KS2 Science week
- February— World's Largest Lesson
- Week beginning 5th February Mental Health Week
- 21st February—Parents Evening
- 23rd and 26th February—Class Photographs
- Week beginning 4th March— Literacy Week
- 7th March— World Book Day

## The Arts

For our topic of textiles, we will be looking at the work of Rosie Lee Tompkins and Nick Cave.



We will be making collages using materials and textiles, weaving, creating quilts and making sculptures using textiles.



In music we will be focussing on environmental sounds.

## Humanities and Science

In Geography we will be focussing on human and physical features. We will be comparing features of physical places including rocks, minibeasts and soil.

In Science, we will be collecting and comparing rocks and taking part in investigations and experiments about rocks.



## Home Learning

Reading is a wonderful way to learn new language, increase understanding and develop creativity and imagination. Please read 3 times a week with your child.

Purple Mash— Sign in and complete the work that we have set. If you need new log in details please contact me.