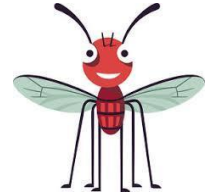




Early Years at New Hartley First School

Summer 1

Animal Antics!



Summer term here we come!!! Thank you to everyone for attending our parents evening before the Easter holidays, we hope this gave you lots of information about your child's progress, but also ways of how you can help. If you have any other questions or queries please always remember to get in touch.

Dates to remember:

This half term:

Understanding Children's Behaviour Workshop – Thursday 15th May 9.00am School Hall – Family Hub (Please sign up on the Google document asap)

Next half term:

Whitehouse Farm Trip – Thursday 5th June

Transition day to Year 1 – Wednesday 9th July

Sharing week – Come and tell us about your job – w/c 23.06.25 more information to follow



Don't forget our Facebook page for updates as to what we get up to every week.

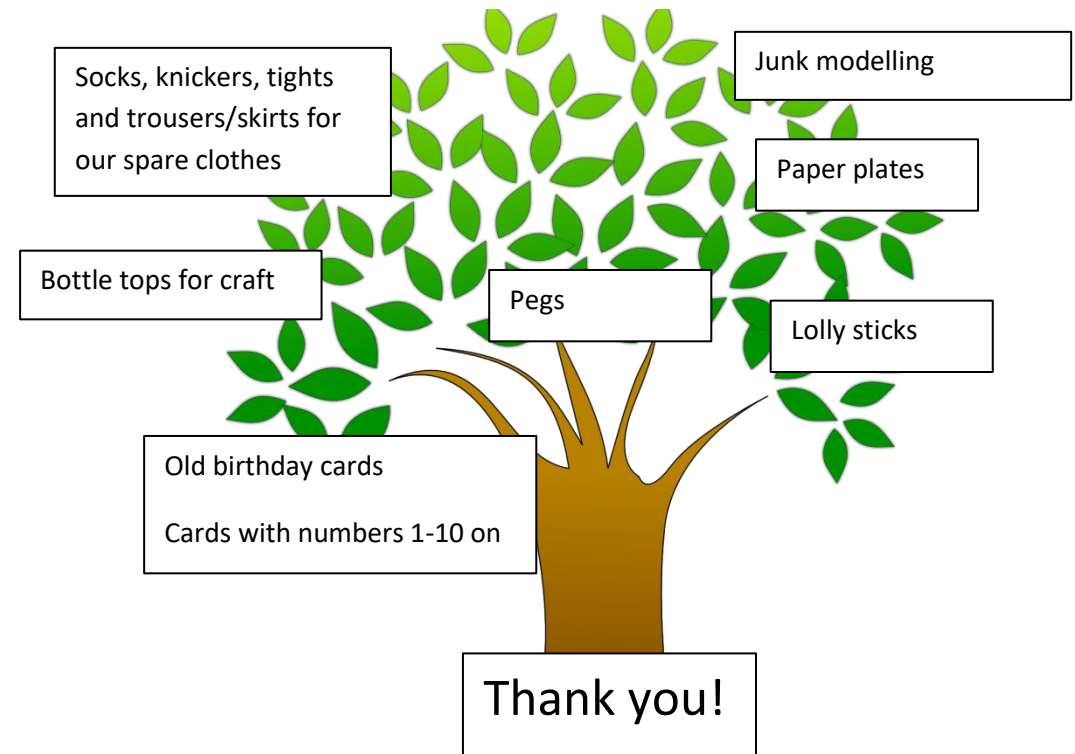







Reading books

Children need to bring their reading book in their clear plastic wallet every day.

Books/Reading Ditty sheets will be changed weekly. Please sign in your child's reading diary when you have heard them read at home.

Our Wish Tree



<p>Prime Area – Communication and Language</p> <p>The Communication and Language Early Learning Goal is split into 2 sub-headings these are;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Listening, attention and understanding2) Speaking <p>This half term we will be concentrating on the children listening attentively to stories and facts and asking them to recall information by answering questions. We will be encouraging them to ask questions to clarify their understanding – you can help at home by keeping an eye on Tapestry and using this as a way of asking your child about the book or the animal we are sharing and sharing back with us what they recall.</p>  <p>Special box is also a key activity linked to Communication and language so please ensure you follow the instructions in the box and maybe practice a little at home what they could say in front of the class.</p>	<p>Prime Area – Personal, Social and Emotional Development</p> <p>We will be continuing to support the children in understanding and managing their emotions and feelings. We will have regular circle times and PSED activities to explore emotions and use characters in stories to model ways we can deal with these behaviours.</p> <p>We will be exploring independence in relation to working independent of an adult so having a go with their writing or maths.</p>  <p>We continue to work on sharing and turn taking, understanding how others feel and also understanding how our feelings can affect others.</p> <p>Our character virtues continue to support all our work in PSED.</p>	<p>Prime Area – Physical Development</p> <p><u>PE Days</u> – continue to be Wednesday’s and Friday’s <u>please remember our PE kit is your house coloured t-shirt with dark shorts, leggings or joggers, trainers or sand shoes too. NO LACES please!</u></p>  <p>In PE with Liam on a Friday we are working on Athletics this half term. We are concentrating on moving energetically such as running, skipping and hopping. We will begin team games.</p> <p>On Wednesday’s with Mrs Nelson we will continue to work on our gross motor skills and coordination with trim trails, climbing frames and hopefully start to use our new set of balance bikes.</p> <p>We will be having a big push on using the correct letter routes to write the letters as well as holding our pencils correctly and beginning to make all our letters the same size. This is harder for some children more than others, so please support this at home. Handwriting sheets are available for home too if this is something you feel you would like.</p>	<p>Specific Area – Mathematics</p>  <p>This half term is all about the numbers 11-20. We will be concentrating on how these numbers are made, what they look like, subitising and what order they go in.</p> <p>We will continue to enjoy working on our number bonds and doubling facts. We will begin to record numbers and some of our number work too.</p>
<p>Specific Area – Literacy</p> <p><u>RWI</u></p> <p><u>Daily Phonics sessions</u> – This half term we will mix with Key Stage One for Phonics This will mean some children will be taught phonics outside of the Reception classroom and might go into the hall or Golden Room.</p> <p>Mrs Nelson, Mrs Thompson, Mrs Banks and Mrs Gray will be our phonics teachers.</p> 	<p>Specific Area – Knowledge and Understanding of the World</p> <p>Our topic this half term is Animal Antics – We will be learning about all different types of animals.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Looking at countries that animals originate from.- Exploring the natural world around them – drawing animals/creatures they can find	<p>Specific Area – Expressive Arts and Design</p> <p><u>In Art and Blue Zone we will be concentrating on Sculpture and 3D</u> Creation stations. We will have a go at making things using clay and/or playdough.</p> <p>We will design animal sculptures and</p>	

Please support your child's learning at home by remembering to work on their letter sounds and reading books. Any questions please get in touch.
This half term your child will –
Continue to practise letter sounds they are not secure on. They will work on a range of different words to read – some of these can be sounded out using their Fred talk and others are Red 'tricky' words to be learnt by sight. Some children are working on speedy words and trying to read words with more fluency.
We continue to value the importance of Stories – so our Story Voting stop, favourite stories, themed stories all continue.

- Knowing differences between the natural world and contrasting environments (like in stories)
- E-Safety – We will continue to learn how to be safe when using mobile phones, ipads, laptops/computers and game consoles. Introducing the children to the whole school policy of Zip it, Block it, Flag it.

paint animal sculptures.

Music –Continuing to follow Charanga our school music scheme – listening to different music, talking about the music they hear and expressing their feelings and responses.



We continue to work super hard to achieve our Golden Tickets and display our school character virtues

Dotty
Dragonfly



Determination

Eddie
Elephant



Empathy

Hugo
Hedgehog



Honesty

Polly
Puffin



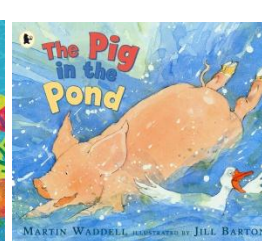
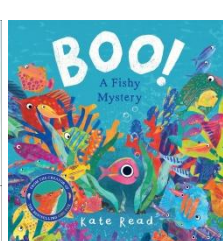
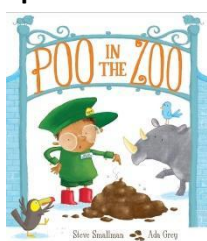
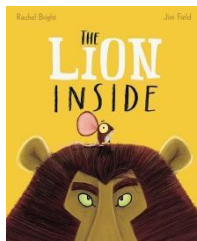
Positivity

Rosie
Rabbit



Respect

Stories focused on in Reception this half term are



Regular adults in Reception are;

Mrs Nelson, Mrs Thompson, Mrs Fielding, Mrs Winter.

Other adults you might see;

Miss Elliot, Ms Lamb, Mrs Galloway

Phonics adults are;

Mrs Nelson, Mrs Thompson, Mrs Gray and Mrs Banks

Urgent messages/messages about attendance MUST go through school comms/school office.

Messages to teachers or questions about routines, tasks and information can go through Tapestry – we try to check this daily, however sometimes we might not manage it which is why anything urgent or attendance related MUST go through the school office which is checked daily.

