

Hedgehog Class Spring Term 2 March 2026



Dear Hedgehog Families,

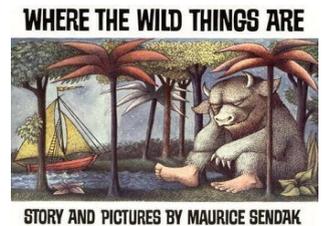
Welcome back! We hope you enjoyed a relaxing half-term break. As we step into Spring, we're excited for brighter days, more outdoor learning, and another busy, joyful half term together.

Reception learning will continue to be shared on Tapestry. If you need any help accessing the platform, we're always happy to assist. We love to see parents interacting with Tapestry, and reading the comments you put on the photos!

Literacy

English

This term, we're diving into the wonderful world of *Where the Wild Things Are* by Maurice Sendak. Through Max's imaginative adventure, we'll explore storytelling, emotions, character journeys, and the comfort of home.



In his imagination, Max's bedroom transforms into a jungle, and he sails away to an island inhabited by large, fearsome creatures called the Wild Things. Instead of being scared, Max tames them and becomes their king. He leads them in a joyful "wild rumpus" before eventually deciding to return home. When Max arrives back in his room, he finds his supper waiting for him — still hot — showing the comfort and security of home after adventure.

Phonics and spellings



Daily phonics will continue for all children, and your support with reading at home makes such a difference.

Year 1 pupils will bring home weekly spellings linked to their lessons, with tests each Monday. Thank you for practising these together.

Handwriting

Reception will focus on clear letter formation, while Year 1 will continue building fluency through horizontal and diagonal joins.

Mathematics

Reception children will explore the numbers 9 and 10 in depth, compare amounts, experiment with different arrangements, and investigate 2-D and 3-D shapes through hands-on activities.



Year 1 will build confidence with numbers to 20 and begin working with numbers up to 50, using practical methods to explore place value, addition, subtraction, and early problem-solving.

Understanding the World

Science

We will continue learning about animals, comparing the features of birds, reptiles, amphibians and fish. Children will sort and classify animals, enjoy outdoor observations, and learn simple ways we can help care for our planet as spring arrives.



Geography

In geography, the children will explore their local environment through observation, stories, discussions and simple map work.

RE

Using the Norfolk Agreed Syllabus, we will be learning about the Easter story, the symbolism of the cross, and what it means to Christians.



Forest School



Forest School continues every Friday. Please send your child in warm, comfortable clothing suitable for mud and weather adventures. Wellies are essential—feel free to send a named pair to stay in school if you prefer. We have spare boots available too.

Computing

This half term, children will learn how to label, sort and group objects and begin answering simple questions about data—an early step into understanding information and patterns.



Physical Development



PE

PE with Mr Reeve will continue to take place every Wednesday. Please send your child to school in their PE kit. This term we will focus on rolling, kicking, racket skills, and throwing and catching.

Expressive Art and Design

DT

Children will explore simple moving mechanisms and use these skills to design and create their own moving book.

Music

We'll be learning about Benjamin Britten and using instruments to build layers of sound, encouraging children to listen closely and experiment creatively.



Personal, Social and Emotional Development



PSHE

This half term we continue to focus on positive thinking, resilience and recognising the good in ourselves and others.

Reminders

Please ensure your child brings:

- ***A named water bottle,***
- ***A book bag,***
- ***Their reading book and record,***
- ***A raincoat***

every day.

With the wet weather, wellies are used regularly outdoors; a named pair can be kept at school if preferred.

If you have any questions, we're always here—please speak to any member of the Hedgehog Class team 😊