

Parent Curriculum Event

EYFS, September 2024



Agenda

1. Welcome to the Year Team
2. Celebrating success at Avonwood
3. Curriculum and Key Dates (Autumn Term)
4. Timetables and Routines
5. Home Learning
6. Annual Reminders

Welcome to EYFS

Curriculum briefing for the Autumn Term



Welcome to Year EYFS Team



Miss Wyatt
Year Lead & Hedgehogs
Class Teacher



Miss Greenwood
Badgers Class Teacher



Mrs Rattue
HLTA Teaching Assistant



Miss Dennett
Teaching Assistant



Mrs Mossa
Teaching Assistant

Reasons to feel proud...

- Strong academic performance
- Consistently excellent attendance
- Beautiful school grounds / building with continued capital investment
- Highly oversubscribed
- Brilliant PTA events
- Consistently strongest staff and parent survey responses in the group
- Avonwood Teacher / TA / Leadership Production Line
- National ResearchEd Event
- #TeamAvonwood Spirit
- Happy children!



Celebrating Success

School Performance Information



Year 6 SATS

	Expected+			Greater Depth		
	Avonwood	National (2023)	Difference	Avonwood	National	Difference
Reading	90%	74%	+16%	39%		
Writing	90%	72%	+17%	16%		
Maths	86%	72%	+14%	37%		
Science	93%	81%	+12%			
SPAG	86%	72%	+14%	46%		
RWM	82%	61%	+21%	10%		



... to infinity and beyond!

- Strong attendance figures last year - Top 10% of schools nationally.
- 80% of EYFS children hit GLD, national average 67%
- 97% of children in Year 1 passed their screening test, national average 75% (2022).
- 54% hit full marks on the Timetables test, 25% above national average.
- Biggest grammar feeder school in BCP.



Curriculum & Key Dates

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Curriculum overview

- **Topic**

Autumn 1: All About Me; Our Heroes

- **PSED**

Autumn 1: Rules & routines; Being me in my world

- **EAD**

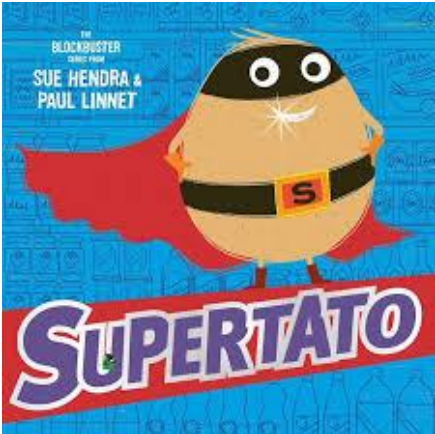
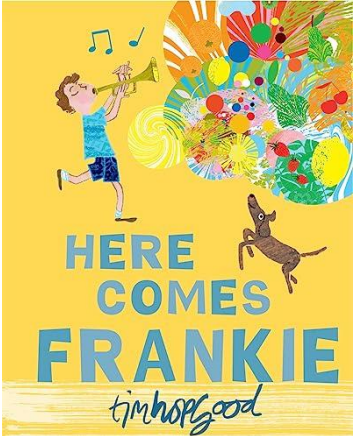
Autumn 1: Self-portraits; printing; colour mixing; Harvest songs

- **R.E**

Autumn 1: Special People

- **PE : Indoors** - spatial awareness

Key texts



Visitors for this term

Visitors/visits/dress-up days:

- Paramedics
- Dental nurse
- Fire fighters
- Veterinary nurse



Key dates

Please put these dates in your diary:

→ 11th October – Phonics Presentation at 9:15am

Timetable & Routines

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EYFS at a glance

Morning drop off:

- Doors open at 08:50 → 'early work' consists of fine motor tasks to support writing
- Doors close at 09:00 → registration

End of the day pick up:

- DEAR from 14:55
- Doors open at 15:05

PE day:

- Tuesday

Homework (same cycle across the school):

- Issued on Friday
- Due the next Thursday



Weekly Timetable

Foundation **Example** Timetable (Subject to Change) @ Avonwood Primary School

Monday	Fiddly Fingers	Literacy Let's Learn	Maths Let's Learn	Phonics	Lunch	Whole class reading	Topic	Continuous Provision	Snack DEAR
Tuesday	Fiddly Fingers	Literacy Let's Learn	Maths Let's Learn	Phonics	Lunch	Jurassic Maths	Jigsaw	Continuous Provision	Snack DEAR
Wednesday	Fiddly Fingers	Literacy Let's Learn	PE Music	Phonics	Lunch	Jurassic Maths	RE	Continuous Provision	Snack DEAR
Thursday	Fiddly Fingers	Literacy Let's Learn	Maths Let's Learn	Phonics	Lunch	Jurassic Maths	Topic	Continuous Provision	Snack DEAR
Friday	Fiddly Fingers	Literacy Let's Learn	Maths Let's Learn	Phonics	Lunch	Whole class reading Library	PE	Continuous Provision	Snack Assembly

Home Learning Expectations

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Reading every day: the power of 1:1 reading

The expectation is that every child reads at home (or is read to by an adult) every day.

Where it is such a key life skill, we feel this sits at the very top of our home learning priorities.



Please do have a look on the reading section of our website as there is a range of information on how best to support your child with reading:

→ [Early Reading | Subjects | Curriculum | Avonwood Primary School](#)



- Read using their phonological knowledge
- Practise reading at least 3 times – accuracy and fluency
- QR codes to support reading at home including GPC pronunciations and actions
- Sound mats and CEWs
- Teachers will check reading records every week

Reading is one of the most valuable and precious skills that we can give a child. It will open a world of knowledge and opportunity to them and we know that children who have good reading skills do well across all areas of the curriculum. Parents and carers play a vital role in supporting children to learn to read – thank you for your time and dedication to this.

This home reading record starts with some key information about how we teach children to read and how you can support us at home. It then contains tables for you to record when your child reads and some resources that will help. Finally, it shares more information about reading including links to lessons and videos to support pronunciation.

We teach children to read or decode words using phonics and your child's school uses Unlocking Letters and Sounds as their phonics programme. This book contains some key information about Unlocking Letters and Sounds to help you understand your child's learning journey.

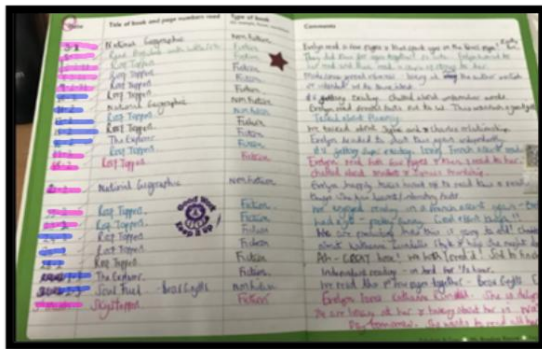
What is phonics?

Phonics is a way of teaching reading, writing and spelling based on hearing and identifying phonemes



Reading 'High 5'

- Bring your reading record in every day.
- An adult will check these weekly.
- Once you have read five times (this does not have to be in the same week and weekends can be included) an adult will tick the 'High 5' reading chart and you will be given a pom pom for our class jar!
- When the jar is full of pom poms, our class will get time to celebrate our success together with a reading raffle activity!



Recommended Reads

Recommended Reads for

EYFS



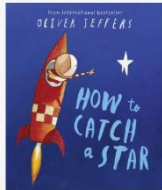
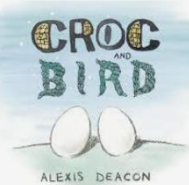
Ruby's Worry by Tom Percival

Ruby loves being Ruby. Until, one day, she finds a worry. At first, it is not such a big worry, and that's all right, but then it starts to grow. It gets bigger and bigger every day and it makes Ruby sad. How can Ruby get rid of it and feel like herself again?



Croc and Bird by Alexis Deacon

Side by side on the sand sat two eggs. With a crack and a rip, the brothers hatch, and out comes a bird and a ... crocodile! But they can't be brothers - can they?



How to Catch a Star by Oliver Jeffers

There once was a boy who loved stars so much that he wished he had one of his very own. Every night he watched the stars in the sky from his bedroom window and dreamed of how he could be their friend and how they could play hide-and-go-seek together. So, one day, he decided to set about catching a star of his very own...



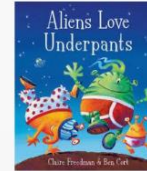
Dear Zoo by Rod Campbell

A child writes to the zoo for a pet. The zoo send a series of unsuitable pets, revealed behind flaps in the form of crates and packing cases. These animals are all sent back for different reasons, except the last one, which is perfect!

Dear Zoo



Rod Campbell



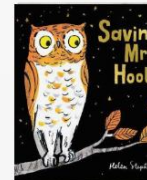
Aliens Love Underpants by Claire Freedman

This humorous tale describes how aliens, rather than visiting Earth to take over the planet, really visit to steal your pants.



How Many Legs? By Kes Grey and Jim Field

How many legs would there be if a polar bear came for tea? How high would the leg count go if a squid rode in on a buffalo? As more and more animals join in the fun, count along if you can!



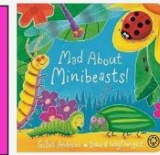
Saving Mr Hoot by Helen Stephens

A beautiful owl lives in the tree outside Ben's house. Ben calls him Mr Hoot. When grown-ups want to chop down Mr Hoot's tree, Ben has to act fast to save him. This warm, funny and inspiring story shows how we can all protect the wildlife that lives all around us.



Mad About Minibeasts! by Giles Andreae

Come into the garden for lots of noisy, rhyming creepy-crawly fun. Discover all sorts of minibeasts - from ladybirds and beetles, to wriggly worms and munching caterpillars!



The Bog Baby by Jeanne Willis

When two small sisters go fishing to the magic pond, they find something much better than a frog or a newt. They find a bog baby. Small and blue with wings like a dragon, the girls decide to make him their secret. I won't tell if you won't...



The Rainbow Fish by Marcus Pfister

This book's stunning illustrations complements the simple story of a vain fish with no friends who finds that sharing his silver scales leads to happiness.

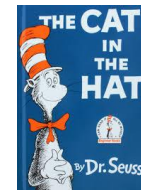


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- Ambition
- Confidence
- Creativity
- Respect
- Enthusiasm
- Determination

Recommended Reads: prizes

- ⇒ Three Recommended Reads → bookmark
- ⇒ Six Recommended Reads → book badge
- ⇒ Ten Recommended Reads → one free book of choice
- ⇒ Fifteen Recommended Reads → £5 book voucher



Home Learning: activities in addition to reading

- Cycle: issued Friday, due Thursday
- Focus: consolidation and fluency
- Home-learning policy on school website
- Website: Parents → Homework → Year group

Activity	Expectation
Doodle Maths	3x 10min sessions a week
*Phonics (including word work & letter formations): in Phonics Home Learning Book	Around 10 minutes a week

How you can help...

- Read **every day** with your child.
- Assist with homework if necessary (refer to our policies online).
- Help them to establish a routine and develop ownership of this as the year goes on – e.g. homework first then TV/gaming as a reward. Encourage independence.
- Routine – time management, relaxation etc.



Polite Annual Reminders

Updates for September 2024



Pick Up and Drop Off



- Punctual by 09.00am
- Walking side by side not running ahead
- After green double gates no scooters, e-scooters or bikes, please dismount and walk

Ongoing Communication

- Always refer to our official website
- If in doubt, please talk to us!
- Instagram feeds ??? What is the EYFS one ?
- If you would like to contact your class teacher or year leader, please email the office and they will forward on.

office@avonwoodprimaryschool.org.uk



Smart Uniform Expectations

- Hair Styles
- Nails & Piercings
- Jewellery
- PE Tops & Caps
- Sensible Coat
- PE Shorts or skorts
- Navy joggers or leggings for PE
- Navy socks
- Note: Second Hand Uniform Shop – items £1



Lunches & snacks

- Healthy snacks (fruit/vegetables) provided in EYFS & KS1
- Lunches must be booked online in advance, please discuss menu with your child
- Nut Free School – no Nutella or Kinder items
- Water bottle every day



E-Safety Advice

- Make sure home broadband is filtered
- Make sure parental settings activated on any mobile device
- Take care with exposure to computer games / YouTubers
- Chat function within games
- WhatsApp
- Parent to Parent Responsibility
- Monthly newsletters are very helpful



Smart Mobile Phones

- Smart Mobile Phones are prohibited on site.
- Exceptional circumstances form available when children reach years 5 & 6
- Parent support on this matter is hugely appreciated.



Avonwood PTA Team



- PTA Annual General Meeting (AGM) – 21st October (Outback Barrel Room in Southbourne)
- Ideally one rep from every class
- Special events rely on community support & help
- Saturday 9th November – Fireworks event (help needed)

Any questions?

