

Key reminders

Please ensure your child brings a named water bottle to school each day.

A set of spare clothes can be brought in and left on your child's peg in case of any accidents.

The school holds weekly 'Coffee Mornings' every Friday. These usually run for about 30 minutes and cover a range of subjects throughout the year. Details about the content of coffee mornings can be found on our website or inside our school newsletter.

PE

Acorn PE Day is Tuesday.
Sapling PE Day is Tuesday.

Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit in school and it will be taken home again at the end of the day. Children must have a full PE kit (a white t-shirt, green or black shorts and plimsolls) to ensure personal hygiene and safety.

Reading Diaries

Children will receive two reading books, which will be changed every week. Please remember to leave a comment in the Home School Diary and make sure you read each day with your child.

Nursery Autumn 1 Curriculum Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the start of an exciting year at Orchard Primary School! We are excited to welcome all of our new children and families and hope you all had a restful summer holiday.

Our Autumn 1 topic is 'Me and My World'. This includes learning about our families, traditions and ourselves. Information about what your child will learn this half term is on the inside of this booklet.

Please support us to provide smooth transitions for all children by arriving at school on time at 9.05am.

Should you have any concerns or wish to discuss your child's progress, please feel free to speak to us. We are available to talk after school on most days.

We look forward to working with you and your child.

Best wishes,

Nursery team

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Communication and Language

We will be learning to:

- Enjoy listening to longer stories and remember much of what happens.
- Understand a question or instruction that has two parts, such as: "Get your coat and wait at the door".
- Sing a large repertoire of songs.

Literacy

We will be learning to:

Understand the five key concepts about print:

- print has meaning
- print can have different purposes
- we read English text from left to right
- and from top to bottom
- the names of the different parts of a book page sequencing

Mathematics

We will be learning to:

- Develop fast recognition of up to 3 objects, without having to count them individually.
- Recite numbers past 5.
- Say one number for each item in order: 1,2,3,4,5.
- Experiment with our own symbols and marks as well as numerals.



Physical Development

We will be learning to:

- Continue to develop our movement, balancing, riding (scooters, trikes and bikes) and ball skills.
- Go up steps and stairs, or climb up apparatus, using alternate feet.

Understanding the World

We will be learning to:

- Use all our senses in hands-on exploration of natural materials.
- Begin to make sense of our own life-story and family's history.
- Plant seeds and care for growing plants.
- Explore and talk about different forces we can feel.

Expressive Art and Design

We will be learning to:

- Take part in simple pretend play, using an object to represent something else even though they are not similar.
- Explore different materials freely, in order to develop our ideas about how to use them and what to make.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be learning to:

- Select and use activities and resources, with help when needed.
- Become more outgoing with unfamiliar people, in the safe context of our setting.
- Play with one or more other children, extending and elaborating play ideas.