








ACORN NEWSLETTER

SPRING TERM 2024

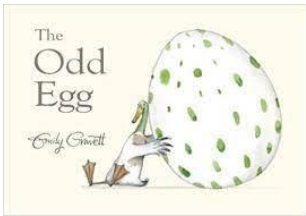


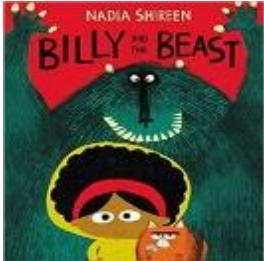


Butterfly Class	Bumblebee Class	Interventions
Miss Kazlauskaitė	Mrs Hall	Speech & Language: Mrs Lindsay
LSA: Miss Whyte, Mrs Carter, Miss Lester	LSA: Mrs Powell, Miss Dawkins, Mr Manly, Miss Tagg	
PM LSA support: Mrs Carter, Miss Dawkins, Mrs Noorzai, Mrs Charlton, Mrs Lindsay, Miss Whyte, Miss Tagg, Mrs Cook, Mrs Lewis, Miss Lester, Mr Manly, Mrs Joshi, Mrs Powell		

Welcome to the Acorn Centre! We hope you had a wonderful Christmas and that your child is back to school and ready to learn!

Curriculum and Home Learning	PE Days & PE Kits																								
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The overview for each half term will be uploaded to the school website. This details what the children will be working on each week but is <i>subject to change</i>. We plan homework tasks very carefully to support and consolidate school learning. Please support and encourage your child to complete the tasks set and communicate with their teacher if they have any problems doing so. Where possible, please work on your child's individual targets. These are sent home each term, at half term (October, February, May). All home learning for online platforms will be set from week commencing 18th September 2023. Maths Shed  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maths Shed tasks will be assigned for home learning each Thursday which must be completed by the following Thursday. This will be linked to the maths learning in lessons that week. Children in Years 3-6 can practice their times tables using the Times Table Rock Stars site. English <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading – A reading book is sent home twice a week with your child's reading record on a Tuesday and Friday. When your child is secure with their phonic knowledge, they will be allocated books to read on e-Collins. Please ensure that your child reads daily. Spelling – Children who Spelling Shed  are ready to attempt spellings, will have spellings set on a Friday using Spelling Shed and needs to be completed by the following Friday. Username and passwords for online home learning will be sent via Marvellous Me. 	<p>One PE session will be with the children's mainstream class and the other will be in the Acorn Centre as part of our gross motor and occupational therapy provision. Please refer to your child's Year group newsletter for details about their PE days. Children are not required to wear their PE kit for Acorn sessions.</p> <p>The expectation is that your child comes into school in their PE kit on their mainstream PE days. Please ensure each item of your child's PE kit is clearly labelled with their name and no jewellery is worn on PE days.</p> <tr> <th style="background-color: #4a86e8; color: white;">Marvellous Me</th> <td> <p>Marvellous Me will be used to send out key information as well as to celebrate your child's successes. It is essential that you are signed up to the app and that you check it regularly.</p> <div style="text-align: center;"></div> <p>Your child's home-school communication book will be used to communicate key information, such as sleep issues and medication. Please send this in daily and initial any messages.</p> </td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <th style="background-color: #4a86e8; color: white;">Important Dates</th> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">2nd January</td> <td>INSET Day</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6th February</td> <td>Parents evening</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7th February</td> <td>Parents evening</td> </tr> <tr> <td>12th – 16th February</td> <td>Half term</td> </tr> <tr> <td>19th February</td> <td>INSET Day</td> </tr> <tr> <td>20th February</td> <td>Back to school</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7th March</td> <td>World Book Day</td> </tr> <tr> <td>20th March</td> <td>Acorn Celebration Morning</td> </tr> <tr> <td>28th March</td> <td>Break up at 2pm</td> </tr> </table> <p>More information on key school events can be found on the school website.</p> </td> </tr>	Marvellous Me	<p>Marvellous Me will be used to send out key information as well as to celebrate your child's successes. It is essential that you are signed up to the app and that you check it regularly.</p> <div style="text-align: center;"></div> <p>Your child's home-school communication book will be used to communicate key information, such as sleep issues and medication. Please send this in daily and initial any messages.</p>		Important Dates		<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">2nd January</td> <td>INSET Day</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6th February</td> <td>Parents evening</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7th February</td> <td>Parents evening</td> </tr> <tr> <td>12th – 16th February</td> <td>Half term</td> </tr> <tr> <td>19th February</td> <td>INSET Day</td> </tr> <tr> <td>20th February</td> <td>Back to school</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7th March</td> <td>World Book Day</td> </tr> <tr> <td>20th March</td> <td>Acorn Celebration Morning</td> </tr> <tr> <td>28th March</td> <td>Break up at 2pm</td> </tr> </table> <p>More information on key school events can be found on the school website.</p>	2 nd January	INSET Day	6 th February	Parents evening	7 th February	Parents evening	12 th – 16 th February	Half term	19 th February	INSET Day	20 th February	Back to school	7 th March	World Book Day	20 th March	Acorn Celebration Morning	28 th March	Break up at 2pm
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At APPS, we follow The Literary Curriculum with Literacy Tree, which places quality literature at the core of English teaching. Below are the texts that we will study over the course of the term. If you are able to discuss the books with your child as we study them, it would really support their learning. All books are available from bookshops and local libraries. Please refer to the whole school text overview on the school's website for the texts studied in the spring and summer terms.

Autumn 1		Autumn 2	
			
<i>The Odd Egg</i> by Emily Gravett	<i>Tadpole's Promise</i> By Jeanne Willis	<i>The Magic Bed</i> John Burningham	<i>Billy and the Beast</i> Nadia Shiree

We welcome your support in the education of your child and we believe that working together will enable your child to effectively access their full potential.

Life Skills

Your child will have one session per week focused around life skills. Throughout the year we will be covering a range of content including: relationships and friendships, routines, rules and expectations, organisational skills, self-care, people who help us, emotions, similarities and differences, the wider community, and aspirations.

Celebration of Autumn Term Learning!



For further information or queries, please check the school website or twitter accounts.

Website: www.ashford-park.surrey.sch.uk Twitter: @Ashford_Park

Should you have any queries, please contact the school on 01784 250305 or email info@ashford-park.surrey.sch.uk

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