

Super Start

Welcoming children into the setting. Walking around the school. Visit the woodland.

Fabulous Finish

Parents invited in for a stay and play.

Reading

We will begin teaching our phonics scheme 'Read Write Inc' from children's first full week at school. This will initially be whole class short phonics lessons. Once we have taught some sounds, we will see if children can remember then and split off into small groups. More information to follow about our phonics scheme!

Children will take home a reading book and reading record. Please record in there every time you listen to your child read their school reading book. We will also spend lots of time enjoying stories together.

Reminders:

-Please aim to listen to your child as often as possible, minimum 3 times a week. Please record this in children's reading records.

-Please ensure that all items are named, including jumpers, water bottles, lunch boxes, coats etc.

Curriculum Overview

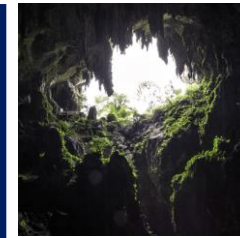
Reception

Autumn 1 2026

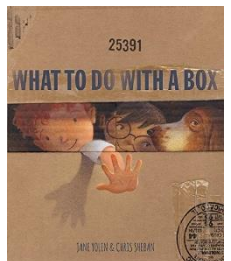
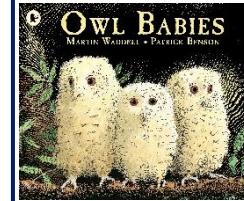
Let's Explore

Build it up

Diwali



Key texts



Writing

During phonics lessons, children will begin to learn the correct letter formation and will have plenty of opportunities to practise this. We will also be practising hearing the first sound in a word and writing this down.

Primarily, we will be focusing on building good fine motor strength and ensuring that children are ready to write. Children will take part in 'finger gym' every day to develop their fine motor control. We will also be doing 'dough disco' to help. There are always a variety of activities in the provision to aid this too.

Physical, social and emotional development:

We will initially be supporting children with their transition into school, linked to our 'Owl Babies' book.

We also follow the 'Kapow' PSHE scheme of work. This half term we will be looking at special relationships. Children will look at why families and our special people are valuable to us. We will also be looking at ways to work and co-operate with others, including sharing. Children will also see themselves as valuable individuals and look at their interests and what makes them unique.

Physical development

The children will have plenty of opportunities to develop their gross motor skills in the provision, including using bikes and scooters, building obstacle courses, using different equipment and exploring different ways to move. Children will develop their fine motor skills by taking part in finger gym activities, dough disco and other activities such as, threading, cutting and using geo boards.

PE lessons are beginning after October half term. Days for PE will be confirmed nearer the time. Please check on the Class Dojo story. On the day your child does PE, they need to come into school wearing their PE kit. This is a white t-shirt, navy joggers, navy jumper (school jumper is fine) and trainers.

Understanding the world

The children will:

- Explore the school grounds and meet different people who work here
- Look at the local area
- Create simple maps
- Explore areas using Google maps
- Look at areas contrasting to Bracknell
- Learn about Harvest
- Explore how people celebrate Diwali



Expressive arts and design

The children will:

- Paint a self portrait
- Paint a picture of a character from the Gruffalo
- Build a den
- Use junk modelling to create a home
- Use clay to make a diva lamp
- Sing nursery rhymes
- Learn new songs

Communication and language

We will be working on building relationships with the children to ensure that they feel confident speaking to staff and their peers. Children will take part in circle time activities and share their ideas. Staff will model speaking in full sentences and adding new vocabulary during play.

Maths

The children will:

- Subitise to 5
- Look at the composition of numbers to 5 (e.g. 1+4, 3+2, 5+0)
- Compare groups of items
- Explore the concept of 'part' and 'whole'
- Count with 1:1 correspondence