



Woodpecker Class Newsletter

Spring One 2026



Dear Parents/Carers

We hope you had a lovely winter break and are looking forward to welcoming everyone back to class.

We would like to share with you some of the activities happening in Woodpeckers this half term.



Woodpecker Class topic



Our topic this half term is '**Community**'

Throughout this topic we will cover:

History - Investigate changes within living memory via photos, books and online

Science - The local habitat and what animals live near us and what they need to survive

Geography - Geography in our local area and map work

Art - Tie die and textiles

Food Tech - Exploring recipes and measuring

PE - Gymnastics (PSG)

Bikes on Friday

Reminder



With cooler and wetter weather on the way please ensure your child has appropriate clothing/a change of clothes in school.

The Woodpecker team this term remains the same, but we say goodbye to Katie Vince. The children will still see her around school, but she will be taking up a new administrative role within the school to support staffing across the school. We will have a new TA joining the class in place of her.

Important dates



Here are some important school dates coming up to let you know about:

5th January - Return to school

WB 26th January - Parents evenings - more information to follow.

9th February - Chinese New Year Celebrations

13th February - Last day of half term

23rd February - Return for Spring Two

Maths



In Maths this term counting, and formal methods for subtraction will be our focus during our number lessons. Some children will also look at rounding. Our topic lessons will focus on shape.

English



In English this term we are focusing on writing caption and lists. Throughout the terms we will look at the structure and grammar of list writing before writing our own in context.

PE



We will be going to the gymnastics centre at the Portsmouth School of Gymnastics in Farlington on Monday afternoons Please ensure children have a PE kit to change into or wear a PE kit to school on this day.

Our in-school bikes session will remain on a Friday afternoon.