



# Ladybird Class Newsletter

## Spring 1 2026

Dear Parents / Carers,

Happy New Year! We hope you had a lovely Christmas and break.

Here are a few things we would like to share with you about Ladybird Class learning:

### Our class

The staff in ladybirds this term will be:

*Amy Little - Class Teacher*

*Cathy Pitney - HLTA*

*Pavlina Nascimento  
(TA)*

*Suganya Thayaparan  
(TA)*

*Sophie Burton  
(TA)*

*Elina Mincheva  
(TA)*

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to a member of staff on collection or email me:

[Amy.smith@riverside.hants.sch.uk](mailto:Amy.smith@riverside.hants.sch.uk)

### Our Topic

The topic this half term is "Transport"

We will be looking at different transport and they way they move. We will be looking at pushing and pulling toys to make them move.

In Literacy we will be focusing on listening to different stories based on the topic and joining in using props, communicating and making marks with different resources.

In phonics, we will be listening to and identifying sounds in the environment. We will also be looking at sounds s,a,t,p,I,n

In Mathematics we will be matching and sorting colours, and we are looking at patterns of colours and shapes. We will continue practising our number skills.

### Help!

If you have tins, containers, boxes left over from Christmas, could we have them for our curiosity containers.

Thank you!

### Continuing learning

To supporting and continue your child's learning at home, here are some ideas of activities:

- Reading and following the words with your fingers as you read,
- Looking at supermarket words as you are shopping and identify them - eg; Asda, Tesco
- Counting out toys form a bigger amount - if you have 5 cars ask your child to give you 1.

### Clothes and nappies

Please ensure that all clothing is clearly labelled and that your child has a spare set of clothes in school.

If your child is in nappies, please make sure there is a supply of nappies and wipes in school and we will let you know when we are running low.

As the weather is turning colder please make sure your child has a coat in school each day.

### Important dates



Please check your child's home/school link book for further dates –

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February** – Break up for Half Term

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February** – Return to school

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> Match** – Inset Day

**Reminder – Every child has an EHCP review meeting this half term.  
If you have forgotten your time or have any questions, please ask.**