

**Our school website address is:**

[www.hamsey.e-sussex.sch.uk/](http://www.hamsey.e-sussex.sch.uk/)

Our class blog is <http://hamseyhedgehogs.wordpress.com> where you will find information about the class, home learning, upcoming events and links to useful websites.

**Dates for your diary:**

Monday 2nd November-INSET.

Tuesday 3rd November - Term 2 begins for pupils.

Friday 13th November -Children in Need / World Kindness Day.

Wednesday 2nd December - Christmas decorations day.

**P.E.**

Our P.E afternoons will be on **MONDAY** with Ms Finch in Term 1. Please can children **come to school wearing their PE kit**. Remember you may need a tracksuit to keep warm in case we are able to go outside.

**Reading.**

Year One children should now be reading for 10 minutes every day and practising key words. Please ensure the children bring in their book bag and reading records to school each day.

**Welly Walk.**

We will be having our Welly Walk on **TUESDAY** afternoons. Please can the children **come to school wearing warm and waterproof clothing** (that you don't mind getting a little muddy!) and welly boots - we will be going out in all weathers and enjoying Hamsey School's wonderful outdoor area.

**Things you could try at home to enrich this term's projects:**

We have sent a letter home asking all children to make a Memory Box this term, filling it with things that they treasure (toys, photographs of special people and places etc). We will be using these boxes as the inspiration for our writing when reading 'Paper Dolls' by Julia Donaldson in our Literacy lessons!



# Welcome to Hedgehogs Class Curriculum Information

## Term 1

**Teachers:**

**Mrs Baker and Miss Finch**

**Teaching Assistant:**

**Mrs Curran**

### ENGLISH

During our topic of 'Treasure' we will be focussing on the story of 'Owl Babies' by Martin Waddell. Whilst reading this story we will be thinking about our own families and the people we love and treasure. During the remainder of Term 1 we will also be focussing our English work around several key books: Naughty Bus by Jan Oke, Traction Man is Here by Mini Grey and Paper Dolls by Julia Donaldson. Whilst reading these books we will be thinking carefully about the toys and people that we treasure.

Year One children will begin to learn to punctuate their sentences using capital letters and full stops. Reception children will begin to learn their sounds (phonics) and to write their names.

### MATHS

We shall begin to introduce some new concepts over the next two terms. Reception children will be focussing on their number recognition to 10 and then 20. Year One will be learning to read and write numbers across 100.

We will begin counting in 1s, 2s, 5s and 10s and learning about the concept of addition and subtraction.

The children will also begin to recognise and name common 2D shapes, including rectangles, squares, circles and triangles.

### HISTORY

As part of our enquiry into 'what we treasure the most' we will be comparing and contrasting our own toys with toys of the past.

We shall learn about how the invention of electricity and batteries changed how toys were made and what they could do.

The Year One children will explore the work of Benjamin Franklin and Thomas Edison when thinking about how electricity has transformed our modern lives.

Our Learning Journey is:

**"Treasure" -  
What do we  
treasure the  
most?**

### SCIENCE

In Science this term, we will be thinking about how to name and identify different materials. We will explore the properties of these materials and experiment to see which float or sink in our water tray.

Further into the term we will talk about 'Seasonal Changes' as Summer turns to Autumn and then Autumn to Winter.

### DT.

Whilst exploring the 'big question', 'what do we treasure the most?', we will be thinking about toys we have at home. We will then learn how to design and make our own junk model bus!

### P.E.

Throughout Terms 1 and 2 we will focus on mastering basic movements, including running, jumping, throwing and catching, as well as developing balance, agility and coordination. We will begin to apply these in a range of activities.

### P.S.H.E

During Term 1 the children will be starting our PSHE Jigsaw scheme looking at 'Being In My World'. The children will explore their feelings and thoughts about starting school.

### ART.

In art, we will be thinking about how we treasure the planet and the sea. We will look at the picture of 'The Great Wave' by Hokusai and making our own version of this very famous painting. We will also think about who the baby owls 'treasure' when reading 'Owl Babies' in our literacy sessions, creating artwork based around the story.

### MUSIC

This term we will be getting ready for Harvest by learning several songs associated with the autumnal season.