

Our school website address is:
www.hamsey.e-sussex.sch.uk/

P.E:

Our P.E afternoons will be on **MONDAY** with Ms Finch. 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 Reception and Year One:

Year One and Reception children should now be reading for **10 minutes every day** and **practising their 'Tricky Words'**. Please ensure the children bring in their book bag and reading records to school each day.

Student Teacher:

We are very excited to welcome Miss Cherry to Hedgehog Class. She is completing her final year of 'Teacher Training' with us and has already built up a wonderful rapport with the children.

Uniform:

Please ensure that all items of clothing/belongings for your child are clearly labelled - we often have a lot of bits and pieces going missing during the school year! Mrs Baker, Ms Finch and Mrs Curran will endeavour to return any lost items to you and your child.

Owing to the cold weather and our well-ventilated classroom, we have reassured the children that they can wear their coats in the school building if they wish.

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

Why not visit the seaside or go for a walk along the river? Can you go to your local library and find out about which animals live in water around the world? Could you turn these facts into an information book to show to the class?



Welcome to Hedgehogs Class Curriculum Information

Terms 3 & 4

Teachers:
Mrs Baker and Ms Finch

Teaching Assistant:
Mrs Curran

ENGLISH

Through our focus on the sea we will be exploring many of the creatures who live there. Our core texts are 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers which is about a boy and his penguin's journey to the South Pole! We will be doing role-play on their journey, writing a list of what to pack and descriptive writing about the sea. We will then be looking at non-fiction books about penguins and writing a fact file and labelling a penguin. As part of our Chinese New Year celebrations we will be making stir fry and writing instructions the children can bring home so you can make your own! In Term 4 we move on to the text 'The Rainbow Fish' by Marcus Pfister where we can link with our PSHE focus on kindness and write about ways we can be kind. We will also use the text as inspiration to find out more about different under sea creatures in non-fiction texts and present our facts for an audience!

GEOGRAPHY

We will be looking at the world map and globe, to locate where the cold and warmer countries are. We will also be learning to name the continents of the world. Next term we will be using maps to find our way around our local area, before making our own maps to illustrate the Easter Bunny's adventure. We will be using symbols to create a map key. As we read The Snail and The Whale, we will be learning about human and physical geographical features.

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Throughout Terms 3 and 4 we will be developing our gymnastics skills. We will be using different body parts to travel and balance on, as well as learning about different jumping styles. We will be building gymnastic movement sequences and exploring travelling on difference apparatus.

ART and DT

As part of our Water project, we will be having lots of fun designing and making boats and bridges. We will be considering which materials would be best for the job, as well as how to join them together. We will be using different cooking tools and skills to make sandwiches, Valentines biscuits, pancakes and Easter cakes. You could try some cooking at home, we would love to see what you make! We will also be studying different types of penguin, and making some paintings of them.

MATHS

We continue to develop our understanding of Maths through fun activities, games and stories. Reception children will be using practical activities and games to: focus on recognising 1-20, ordering and counting. Adding groups of objects and taking away, finding 2D and 3D shapes in the environment and using shape language. Children in Year 1 will be: working with numbers to 100, including recognition and place value, division (sharing), fractions (half and quarter), time (on the hour and half past), 3D shape (including describing shapes), addition and subtraction including number bonds to 20.

SCIENCE

In Science this term, we will carrying out experiments to find out what materials float and sink and which materials are waterproof. We will be using our findings to help up with our boat building challenge. As the weather changes to Winter and then Spring, we shall be thinking about Seasonal Changes, using our welly walks to make observations. We will also be finding out about the many different creatures that live in the sea.

Our Learning
Journey is:

**"Water" - What
will you find in
the sea?**

MUSIC

Mrs Berry will be leading our weekly music and singing sessions this term. We will be learning some songs, chants and dances related to our water topic.

P.S.H.E

During Term 3 and 4 we will be learning about keeping ourselves healthy in different ways, including making healthy food choices.

We will also be learning about the importance of cleaning our teeth regularly.

We will continue to focus on 'friendship,' especially how we can show kindness to our classmates.