Hares Class Newsletter



Autumn 2 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have a busy term ahead in Hares class as we will be answering the question: 'How do we celebrate?' Through the topic we will be exploring different celebrations including Bonfire Night, Diwali, Birthdays, Hannukah and Christmas.

Writing (helicopter stories):

The children will be narrating their own stories which will be read out and performed at the end of the day. The children will begin to take on more writing of their story as their phonic knowledge increases and they learn their set 2 sounds (see below)



Phonics and Reading:

Daily phonics lessons will continue and QR codes will be posted daily. Please continue to read to your child and hear them read each evening. Please write in their yellow reading diary when they have read to you. House points will be awarded for reading at home.

Please continue to share the weekly library book and Class Recommend Read (CRR) book. The library book will be changed each Thursday and the CRR book will be changed each Friday. The children are really enjoying their chance to 'Adopt a Shelf'. Thank you so much for supporting this.

Maths:

Having successfully learnt the different ways to make 1, 2 and 3, the children will move onto learning to make 4 and 5. They will learn the subtraction facts which make 1,2,3,4 and 5. They will also learn to calculate 1 more and 1 less.

RE:

The children will be answering the question: Why is Christmas special to Christians?

On Thursday 19th November we would like you to share with us in Godly Play. The session will take place in Lindridge Church and will start at 2pm and finish at 3pm. Please sign in at the school office and come to the classroom so we can all walk over to church together.

Homework For Reception

Please share stories and rhymes with your child and listen to your child read each evening.

To support your child with maths, ask them one more and one less questions to 5.

OPAL Play

Home - Outdoor Play and Learning

https://outdoorplayandlearning.org.uk/

After half term we will be launching a very exciting initiative called 'OPAL Play'. The children will have access to many different activities during lunchtime and we will be using the field everyday. With this in mind we would like your child to have a **named** pair of wellies to keep in school.

Each **Tuesday** morning we will continue to visit the **forest area.** On these days the children will need to come to school in their forest clothes and bring their named school uniform in a bag as they will change after their session.. The children need to wear long sleeves and long trousers to protect them in the forest area. As the weather starts to get cooler please send your child with

appropriate clothing for the weather. Please make sure hats and gloves are named.

Once a month the children will visit the **church** for their Godly Play session. Each Thursday we will visit the school library which is located in the church so the children can change their library book.

What to bring to school:

- Reading book
- Reading for pleasure book (CRR book)-Friday
- Reading diary
- Named Favourite books from home (Wednesday -when asked)
- Library Book-Thursday
- Named waterproof coat
- Named water bottle (containing water only please)
- Named lunch box (unless ordering a lunch through Red Hen)
- Named PE kit (to be kept in school)
- Named Forest School kit (Tuesday)

We ask that only water is sent in as this is healthiest choice for the children. The children will continue to have fruit provided at snack time but if they prefer, they can purchase a healthy snack from the tuck shop (order through the office or send in 50p). Children under 5 years old get milk for free but if your child is over 5 this can be purchased via the office.

If your child is bringing in a snack into school, then please can it be healthy, either a piece of fruit or a snack which is 100% fruit (for example the 'Bear' range).



Dates for your diary:

Friday 23rd October- Break up

Monday 2nd November- School reopens

Tuesday 3rd November-FOLS Seasonal Disco

Monday 16th November-wear odd socks to raise awareness of Anti-Bullying

Wednesday 18th November-Flu Vaccinations (nasal spray)

Thursday 19th November-2pm Godly Play Session with parents/carers

Friday 27th November-Christmas Pop-Up shop-Effridges

Thursday 3rd December-Hares and Owlets trip to Little Owl Farm Park

Monday 7th December- Christingle in Church 9am

Tuesday 8th December- Nativity Play 9:30am

Wednesday 9th December- Nativity Play 2pm

Thursday 10th December-3pm Hares and Owlets stories with Santa

Friday 11th December-Christmas Film Night

Friday 18th December-Praise Service in Church

Friday 18th December-Party morning

I will be in class full time apart from every Thursday morning. I will be updating the class story on dojo daily with any messages or updates about Hares class. If you have any concerns, please speak to me on the gate or via the office email (office@lindridge.worc.sch.uk).

Kind Regards

Mrs Thomas