

## **Rabbit Class** **Spring 2026 Newsletter**

Welcome back after what we hope was a relaxing Christmas break! We would like to thank you again for your generous gift cards and presents, they are truly appreciated.

### **Topic**

This term our topic is 'Our School'. This links to our history study of the local area and incorporates an exciting exploration of the history of our school. In science, we will be looking at animals (categorising them into groups; mammals, amphibians etc and sorting them by what they eat). We will also be looking closely at the weather and seasonal changes in our Forest School sessions.

Please see our topic web for further details about our learning and the cross-curricular links of this exciting topic.

### **Timetable**

Our PE lessons will be timetabled for Monday (first three weeks) and Wednesday until our Forest school sessions on Friday 30th January. From the fourth week we will have PE on Wednesdays and Forest School on Fridays. A letter will be sent out with more details about Forest School closer to the time. The children should continue to come to school in their PE kits on those days in the weeks prior to Forest School starting. We try and have as many lessons outside as possible, therefore tracksuit bottoms are allowed to be worn. We also try to plan for our lessons to make the most of the outdoors areas and therefore it is very important for your child to have their coat in school every day.

### **Home Learning**

The most important homework is reading every day. Please continue to hear your child read and note this in the reading record diary; including how they have read with their Read Write Inc book on the Oxford Owl website. Discussing the books with your child is important. All children should be encouraged to re-tell the story to you, discuss characters and new vocabulary and be able to express their own opinion on a book. Please ensure that you discuss any unfamiliar vocabulary so that your child can infer the text and comprehend what they are reading. It has been lovely to see, not only the children's confidence when reading develop, but also their fluency flourishing as they are able to recognise more and more words by sight. We will also be focusing on non-fiction books this term, teaching the children about the purpose of captions, diagrams, photographs and also consolidate their knowledge of contents and index pages.

We really appreciate your continuing support with your children's home learning. Daily reading and playing games with your child has a huge impact on their learning. Book changing days will continue to be on Wednesdays and Thursdays (please remember to send books in otherwise we cannot exchange them).

### **Independence**

This half term we are continuing to work on independence. It has been great to see the children coming into class

independently and confidently each morning. You can support your child by encouraging them to complete tasks, such as zipping up their coats independently (or at least having a go first before asking for help).

### **Reminders**

- We are a healthy school and packed lunches should reflect this. No chocolate or juice please.
- Please remember water bottles every day. Water only.
- Book bags need to be brought into school daily with reading books inside.
- We will post important messages on ClassDojo.
- Milk for snack time can be ordered online (it is free for under 5's and will automatically be stopped on a child's 5<sup>th</sup> birthday unless ordered.) Please let Mrs Hazzard know if your child would like to be taken off the milk list.
- Please let the office know if your child is going home with someone other than you.
- Children must have a waterproof coat/jacket at school every day. This can be left on the children's peg.

### **Parent Appointments**

Should you have any concerns or questions please do not hesitate to speak to us. We are available after school on most days should you wish to come and speak to us regarding a short issue or you can make an extended appointment to see us via the office email.

### **Donations**

Any donations of craft supplies would be greatly appreciated. This includes glue sticks. The children love to craft and

we will be teaching them how to glue in their own work.

### **Parent Helpers**

If any parents are able to help with reading, phonics and general activities, please let us know as we would be pleased to have you. All parent helpers need to be DBS checked which is quick and simple. Please see Mrs Hazzard if you would like to have this done.

Thank you for your ongoing support.  
Happy New Year!

### **Important dates**

- **Half term:** – Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026
- **Inset day:** – Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026
- **Come & see my learning followed by the Mother's Day assembly:** Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 8.45am
- **Parent teacher meetings:** Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 3.15pm-6pm Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 4pm – 7pm
- **End of term Easter Church Service** – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026 – Church Service 9.15am.  
**School finishes at 1pm**

Kind regards,  
Mrs Glowacki & Miss Laver

**Class teachers:** Mrs. Glowacki (Mon-Wed) and Miss Laver (Thurs-Fri)

**Teaching Assistants:**

Mrs Macey (Mon- Thurs)

Mrs Price (Fri am)

Mrs. Love (Fri pm)