

English

Non-fiction: Non chronological reports. We are going to read 'The Hodgeheg' and write non-chronological reports based on the facts that we learn about hedgehogs.

Poetry: Houses and homes.

We will be reading and responding to poems about houses and homes. We will learn how to use descriptive writing and rhyming words.

Fiction: Tales from other cultures. We will be looking at the tales of Baba Yaga and Hansel and Gretel. We will be identifying different sentence types and how to use them in our writing.

DT – Moving minibeasts.

We are going to be creating a moving minibeast picture. We will be looking at sliding, lever, pivot and wheel mechanisms.

RE – Who is Muslim and how do they live?

We are going to find out who is Muslim and what are their beliefs and how they worship. We will investigate what is important to them and how their faith influences how they live.

Geography – My world and me.

We will be exploring our world map and finding out where the UK is. We will be finding the seven continents and five oceans. We are going to look at geographical features using aerial photos.

Computing – Creating media, digital paint.

We will find out how to use computers to create digital art. We will use the work of Wassily Kandinsky for inspiration.



Barn Owls Spring 1 2026 Houses and homes



PE – Coach lesson and indoor activities.

All children will be working with a coach once a week. During our additional weekly lessons, we will be practicing our indoor athletics skills. This will include throwing, jumping and skipping activities.

British values and / Courageous advocacy and Cultural capital Democracy, Rule of Law, Individual Liberty, Mutual Respect and Tolerance

Random Acts of Kindness, Childre's Mental health week, Save the children. Lent

Maths

This half term we will be learning about the following math topics.

Year 1 – Let's read, write and use numbers; What is half? ; Let's make totals using coins; Let's count in twos, fives and tens; Let's learn number bonds;

Year 2 – Let's use pounds and pence; How can we compare numbers? Let's learn our times tables; How can we tell the time? Let's measure weight. Let's find fractions.

We will have daily practice of our times tables and complete Flashback Four. The children will also be using online activities to reinforce learning.

PSHE- Friendship and bullying.

During this topic, we will be thinking about friendship and bullying. We will talk about how we make friends, solve any problems that may arise between friends and the importance of being kind to each other.

Science – Pets and gardens.

We will find out about different animals that can be found in our homes and gardens. We will investigate the different habitats and food that the animals need.

Music – Storytime, exploring sounds.

We will be exploring beat further and learning to keep a steady beat at different speeds. We will also be using instruments to experiment with different beats and sounds.