



**Foxes Class Newsletter- Year R**  
**Term 3 – Spring 2025**

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Happy New Year! Firstly, thank you so much for our lovely gifts, we really appreciate them all. We hope you had a wonderful Christmas break and enjoyed some quality family time together. We have a lot of fun activities to squeeze in this term and we know the children will enjoy all we have planned for them.

This term our topic is *'Amazing Animals.'*

**Weekly timetable:**

FOXES RECEPTION TIMETABLE 2024/2025					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.45 to 9.30	Registration Phonics	Registration Phonics	Registration Phonics	Registration Phonics	Registration Phonics
9.30 to 10.30	Child initiated time Adult led English Activity	Child initiated time Adult led English Activity	Child initiated time Adult led English Activity	Child initiated time Adult led English Activity	Child initiated time Adult led English Activity
10.30 to 10.45	MORNING BREAK				
10.45-11.15	Story Time	Story Time	Story Time	Story Time	Story Time
11.00-12.00	Adult led Maths activity	Adult led Maths activity	Adult led Maths activity	Adult led Maths activity	Adult led Maths activity
12.00 to 1.05	LUNCH				
1.15-2.15	Chromebooks Child Initiated Time	RE Child Initiated Time	EAD/Art and Design Child Initiated Time	PE	Topic
2:15 to 2:45	Science	Music	PSHE	Child initiated time	Child initiated time
2.45	Worship	Worship	Worship	Worship	Worship

**Please Remember:** P.E. will be taught on a THURSDAY afternoon. *This term the children can continue to come into school already dressed in their PE kit. Please ensure the children are suitably dressed for the weather.*

**Homework:** Please use the weekly phonic activity sheet which will be sent home every Friday to help your child revise the new sounds and tricky words.

### Important Dates:

6th January: Start of Term 3

6th February: Open Classroom 2:45- 3:30

14th February: Last day of term and FOJM Disco

### Phonics:

#### **Reception Spring 1**

	<b>Phase 3 graphemes</b>	<b>New tricky words</b>
Week 1	ai ee igh oa	
Week 2	oo oo ar or	was you they
Week 3	ur ow oi ear	my by all
Week 4	air er words with double letters: dd mm tt bb rr gg pp ff	are sure pure
Week 5	longer words	

English: We will be looking at a variety of books linked to our topic of 'Amazing Animals'

- The Emperors Egg
- Dear Zoo & Walking through the Jungle
- On Safari
- Around the world
- Owl babies
- The lifecycle of a minibeast
- Wild animals- Deadly 60

Maths: This term our topics are;

#### **Alive in 5!**

Introducing zero

Comparing numbers to 5

Composition of 4 and 5

Compare mass

Compare capacity

#### **Mass and Capacity**

##### **Compare mass**

Find a balance

Explore capacity

Compare capacity

##### **Growing 6, 7 and 8!**

6, 7 and 8

Combining two amounts

Making pairs

Length and height

**Science:** This term we will be linking our learning to our 'Amazing Animals' topic and looking at animals and insects.

**Topic:** We will be learning about 'Amazing Animals.' We will be looking at life cycles, safari, animals around the world, climates/hibernation, down on the farm and minibeasts.

**Art:** We will be looking at Rousseau's Tiger animal prints, designing homes for hibernating animals, collage owls' and symmetrical butterflies.

**R.E:** We will be learning all about the 'New Testament.' We will be thinking about what Christians believe is special about Jesus and the message that he brings.

**P.E:** We will be doing Gymnastics, using our scheme 'Get Set 4 PE.'

Any questions please feel free to speak with us at the door or email us on [foxes@john-mayne.kent.sch.uk](mailto:foxes@john-mayne.kent.sch.uk)

Thank you!