

Spring at Woodlands



Forest School

Rabbits, Badgers and Robins continue to have Forest School on a Monday. It's very important that children come to school in the correct clothes for Forest School – long trousers and long sleeved top, wellies or sturdy walking boots, waterproof coat and trousers and a hat. Children attend Forest School in all weathers so being dressed appropriately helps them to be comfortable. **Please name your child's clothing and accessories!**



Cooking –
This term
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technology, the children will be doing cooking inspired by The Gruffalo's Child story. We will be making Gruffalo cakes, biscuits and crumble. If you would like to come in and volunteer to help with cooking, please let one of us know.

Reading

All children have a reading folder with their reading record, a phonics reading book and a 'reading for pleasure' reading book. These will be changed every Monday. **Please try to read with your child at home at least 3 times a week and record that you have read in their reading record.** Please help your child to bring their reading folder in to school every day, as they will be read with regularly in school.



PE

Rabbits and Badgers have PE on a Tuesday and Robins have PE on a Wednesday. The school PE kit is a blue PE t-shirt, blue tracksuit bottoms or shorts, blue tracksuit top (if required) and trainers. Please ensure that any long hair is tied up and children are not wearing any jewellery (including earrings).



Snack bar

Please can you bring in donations of dry snacks such as crackers, breadsticks and dried fruit (no nuts please) to top up our snack bar. We



will provide fresh fruit. Milk is available for free for children under the age of 5; if your child is 5 or over and would like milk then please register for it using the Coolmilk website: www.coolmilk.com. If your child is allergic to dairy, you may bring in a dairy alternative milk as long as it does not contain nuts.



Topics - This half term, we will be learning about cold climates including the North Pole and South Pole. We will be reading The Gruffalo's Child and learning about snow and ice. **This half term, each child will need to bring in a clean, empty jam jar and a shoe box.**

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
	Winter	The Gruffalo's Child		The Arctic	The Antarctic	Snow and Ice
Things to remember:	Please sign up to bring in ingredients or to volunteer for our cooking activities.	Please sign up to bring in ingredients or to volunteer for our cooking activities.	Please sign up to bring in ingredients or to volunteer for our cooking activities.	Please bring in shoe boxes for next week.	Please bring in jam jars for next week.	
We will be:	Learning about what Winter is and what weather it brings!	Making Gruffalo crumble. Identifying animal tracks from the story. Drawing Gruffalo cave paintings with sticks and mud.	Making Gruffalo carrot cake. Making Gruffalo shadow puppets. Drawing chalk pictures of the moon.	Learning about the North Pole, the animals that live there and explorers who have visited. Drawing chalk polar bears.	Learning about the South Pole, the animals that live there and explorers who have visited. Creating habitat models with shoe boxes. Drawing chalk penguins.	Learning about how ice is formed and investigating how we can stop it from melting. Filming weather forecasts. Making vehicles for polar explorers

Your child will need to bring in a named water bottle (only water please), their reading folder and a small rucksack every day. Please encourage your child not to bring any personal items such as toys into school, as they often get lost.