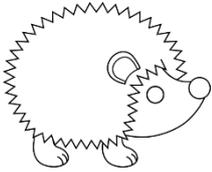
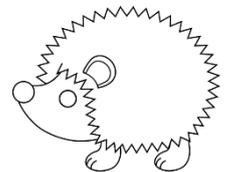


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Welcome Back and Happy New Year!



Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you had a wonderful break! We writing to give you a bit more information about the coming term and some 'beginning of term' reminders. It is a very exciting term ahead and 3 fantastic topics that we are sure the children will love: 'All around the World', 'Superhero's', and 'On the Move'. You can find more details about what the children will be learning this half term on the curriculum map attached.

Important Reminders

Please ensure that coats, jumpers, book bags (including reading diaries) and water bottles come into school every morning and that all personal possessions are clearly labelled with your child's name. The children are asked children to change their reading book every morning, if needed. If you could remind your child to do this on their way into school that would be very helpful. Please remember to check your child's book bag every day for letters or other important information.

Tapestry

Tapestry is now up and running! Hopefully you have found it beneficial being able to see what the children are learning at school and the progress they are making. Thank you to those that have commented, liked and uploaded responses. It's great to see what they are doing at home as well as school! If you need help accessing your child's account, please let us know.

Trips and Special Events

Without parent contributions we cannot take the children on school trips or organise special in-school events. We are, however, very mindful of the present economic climate and know that the cost of such experiences can be expensive. I have therefore included information about contributions requested this term.

First Half Term

In-school, 'All around the world' activities will include tasting bread from different countries and making 'Handa's Surprise fruit salads'. Due to the cost of ingredients, we will be asking for a contribution of £1 per child. Please pay this via school money.

Second Half Term

In the second half term, we will have two special events. We will be visited by a 'science dome' planetarium to support our learning about rockets and space as part of our topic, 'On the Move'.



In celebration of World Book Day we will be having a book fair and a visit from M. P. Roberston, the author and illustrator of many wonderful, much-loved books that we use to support learning in school. His titles include 'The Egg', 'The Dragon Snatcher', 'The Sandcastle' and 'Ice Trap'.

The combined cost of the two events in the second half term will be £12. There will also be an opportunity to purchase books at the reading events, although there is no obligation to do so. A letter about these events will be sent nearer the time and no payment is expected now.

Please may we remind you that all events have to be funded from voluntary parental contributions. If this proves to be difficult, you are invited to discuss the matter with the Headteacher. The school reserves the right to cancel any visits or events where funds do not match the cost.

Thank you for your ongoing support and co-operation. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Ralph and the Early Years Team

