

Stubbings Infant School Acorns Class Newsletter January 2024

Dear Families,

Happy New Year! We hope that you were able to enjoy Christmas and we would like to welcome our new children joining Acorn class this year.

Our new theme is Amazing Animals. We will be finding out about what is an animal? How are animals amazing? What features do they have that make them special or help to adapt them to their environment? We will begin with animals that live in Polar Regions and then move on to animals found in other countries.

We will learn how Chinese New Year is celebrated and about the year of the dragon.

We will be using our senses to explore natural materials and experience the changing seasons. We will use a wide range of vocabulary to describe what we see.

On Friday mornings there will be a specific focus on outdoor education within the school grounds and moving on to exploring the local woodland.

How can you help?

Please ensure reception children have their reading book in school every day.

Please place library books to be changed in your child's drawer. They will be changed on Wednesdays.

Please dress your child in suitable clothing for climbing, jumping etc. on a Wednesday so that they can access the PE apparatus in the hall

Reception children have a PE lesson on Thursdays and need a named PE kit in school (a pair of navy or black shorts, white Tee shirt and a pair of pumps.) This can be purchased from the school office if you wish.

Please provide some spare clothes in a named bag in case of little accidents.

On Fridays please bring in wellies and wet weather clothing such as waterproof trousers and a waterproof coat. You will also need a carrier bag to put muddy clothes in and a pair of shoes to change into.

If you have any resources at home that you feel may be useful e.g. fiction and non- fiction books to support our learning, then please do bring them into school.

Please feel free to ask if you have any questions we are always happy to help.

Ms Baily and the Acorns Team.

Dates for your diary:

- √ 12th January Great News at Stubbings
- √ 23rd January-National Handwriting Day
- √ 30th January National Storytelling Week
- ✓ 26th January Great News at Stubbings followed by parent information session on zones of regulation
- √ 30th January National Storytelling Week
- ✓ 2nd February NSPCC Number Day
- ✓ 5th February Children's Mental Health Week
- √ 6th February Safer Internet Day
- ✓ 9th February Great News at Stubbings
- √ 9th February School closes for Half Term
- √ 19th February School Reopens



