

Badger Class

Year 1/2 Autumn Term 2026 Newsletter

The Badger Team	Class teacher – Mrs Waters Assistant teacher – Miss Archer PPA cover – Miss Girvan (Monday pm)	<u>Things that would help us</u> Small items of cardboard junk for modelling. Any old comics. Buttons We are working on our outdoor area, and would appreciate any old plastic/metal jugs, bowls, spoons etc. for our mud kitchen/water area.
Timings of the day	Start time – 8.35am Home time – 3.10pm It is very important that you drop off and collect your child on time. Gates close at 8:45am, after this time please go to the school office. Please do not ride bikes/scooters on the yard or play on the equipment.	
Things to remember...	Decodable phonics books will be sent home weekly and it is very important that your child brings them back into school the next day. Reading for Pleasure books will be available everyday for your child to choose independently. Please remember to bring a named water bottle to school everyday. Children will need a coat in school everyday and a spare change of clothes in their bag. Full School uniform must be worn everyday. A full list of uniform can be found on the website. No jewellery to be worn in school other than 1 pair of stud earrings. No toys to be brought in from home.	
P.E. days Monday and Thursday	Please ensure you child comes to school dressed in PE kit and long hair is tied back. This includes named trainers, black shorts, white t-shirt and black tracksuit bottoms. A school hoodie can be worn for outdoor sessions and colder days. No jewellery to be worn on PE day this includes stud earrings.	
Our project	This term we will focus our curiosity on learning about the history of transport and the significant people involved, from inventors to pilots. We will investigate George Stephenson, Amelia Earhart, The Wright Brothers and Neil Armstrong. We will travel through time exploring how transport has changed our lives. Books will play a huge part in our learning and the children will be able to explore these together throughout each day. Exploration in geography, will involve finding out about a non European country and comparing it to England. In science, we will be linking our project to materials and investigating/testing many different types.	
How can we help you...	If you have any problems or concerns please do not hesitate to speak to me on the yard. Alternatively, you can message on Seesaw or call the school office on 0191 222 0259 to book a telephone conversation.	
Behaviour System in school	Our school rules and behaviour system focuses around the three words 'Ready' 'Safe' 'Respectful' . Conversations with children will focus on our 3 words and children are expected to follow the rules in class, at break/lunch time and around school. When a child's behaviour is unacceptable, unsafe, hurtful or disrespectful they will be asked to reflect on their behaviour during the day with senior members of staff. Serious incidents will be dealt with by the Head or Deputy Head teacher and parents/carers will be informed. It is important as parents/carers that you support and reinforce how your child is expected to behave in school.	
Home learning	Our home learning will focus on reading decodable phonics books and sharing reading for pleasure books. Occasionally, work related to maths, spelling of project will be sent home.	

How to help your child...	Please listen to your child read, enjoy talking about their books and read to them, share with them examples of things that you have read throughout the day. Practise keywords, say them in sentences, make pairs games with them. Continue number recognition to 100 and talk about numbers in your home/local environment. At the beginning of the day, always leave your child at school with a smile. Pick them up at home time with a bigger smile and maybe a question about their activities, happiness and learning... always show you're interested 🌟	
Diary Dates	Wednesday 23rd September Badger book club Wednesday 30th September Y1/2 Autumn lake walk Wednesday 7th October Badger book club Wednesday 21st October Badger book club Friday 23rd October Break up for half term, return on Monday 2nd November Tuesday 10th November World Science Day Wednesday 11th November Remembrance Day Badger book club Wednesday 25th November Badger book club Tuesday 8th December EYFS & Y1/2 Nativity Friday 18th December Christmas Assembly Last day of term	