

Happy New Year 2026

Reminders:

- PE Day –Friday
- Book bags need to be in school every day which should contain reading books, library books, red word books and reading record. Please check these daily.
- Water bottles are needed every day.
- Warm clothing for those cold days.
- Please re-label all your child's belongings.

Expressive arts and design

We will sing new songs and retell a variety of traditional fairy tales.

We will participate in dance sessions and move in time to the music.

We will build and construct with a range of materials.

Physical Development

We will continue to develop our fine and gross motor skills through games and activities.

We will develop our balance and co-ordination through dance. We will explore the way vehicles travel and create and copy movements to represent these.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Beginning to develop new friendships. Talk to adults about how we are feeling. Playing co-operatively, taking turns with others. Talk about how their learning links to the school values.



Year R Deer



Spring 1 2025 Once Upon a Time



Ways to support the topic

Practise recalling the letter names and sounds of the alphabet, days of the week and months of the year. Practise reading words and sounds from your red books and phonics handouts.

Regular reading, and record in diaries.

Join and make visits to Waterlooville library.

Monster phonics:

<https://monsterphonics.com/>

We would appreciate donations of clean small boxes, tubes, cartons and other small items for our modelling.



Communication and Language

We will practise listening carefully to each other in a range of different situations. Discover ways to be able to respond during group and class discussions.

Practise listening to stories about our topic and discussing and sharing ideas.

Understanding the World

We will explore and record scientific ideas linked to growth, floating, and sinking. We will begin to understand how to keep healthy. We will become familiar with a computer keyboard.

English

We will listen to and take part in a range of stories, sequencing stories and writing simple sentences.

During phonics we will continue to practise the single letter sounds (phonemes) and begin to learn sounds when 2 and 3 sounds are put together like **ar** in star and **igh** in light.

We will use our phonic skills and words learnt when reading in small groups.

Mathematics

We will be continuing to practise our counting and number recognition. We will learn about the number zero and begin to solve problems related to number and length.

The knowledge organiser will help identify subject specific language and concepts.