



TOUCANS CLASS NEWSLETTER



The children have settled into school brilliantly, and we are very proud of them! They've enjoyed making new friends, exploring their classrooms, and are already showing curiosity and excitement in their learning.

This term, our topic is Fairy Tales. We'll be reading lots of stories and learning to retell some of our favourites. The children will also find out about Kings and Queens and imagine the exciting places they might live.

It's set to be a busy and exciting term, with Christmas celebrations and nativity performances to look forward to!

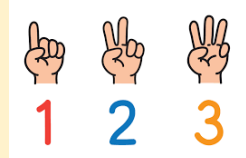
Expressive Arts and Design

This term, the children will enjoy junk modelling castles that they design themselves, linking closely to our Fairy Tales topic. They will have the chance to be creative and think about the shapes, colours, and features of their castles.

We'll also have opportunities for the children to create firework-inspired artwork and poppies for Remembrance Day, allowing them to explore different materials and express their ideas in fun and meaningful ways.

Maths

This term, we'll keep practising subitising — spotting how many things there are without counting each one. We'll also start talking about 'parts' and 'wholes' as we get to know numbers 1 to 5 really well, and begin exploring fun ways to show numbers up to 10.



Understanding the world

In RE, we'll be exploring some exciting stories from the Old Testament and learning more about the Christian story of Jesus' birth.

As part of our Fairy Tales topic, the children will become little architects as they learn about Kings and Queens and experiment with different materials to build the Three Little Pigs' houses—seeing which ones are the strongest and most fun to make!

Talk Through Stories

In Talk Through Stories, children enjoy listening to a story and then bring it to life by acting out scenes, talking about the characters, and sharing their ideas. It's a fun way to boost their language skills, imagination, and confidence in speaking.



PE

We will be doing PE on a **Wednesday**. PE will be taught by our Teamtheme coaches.



Please bring only school book bags — no rucksacks, thank you!
Children can bring a small water bottle, and we'll refill them during the day

Drawing Club

In Drawing Club, the children enjoy listening to stories and using their imagination to draw and tell their own versions. It's a lovely way for them to get creative, build early writing skills, and share ideas with their friends.

Phonics and Writing

We'll keep up with our daily Read Write Inc sessions, where the children practise writing letters and blending sounds to make words. We'll group the children in ways that best support their individual learning and progress.

DATES FOR THE DIARY:

Monday 10th November – Remembrance service

Tuesday 16th December – Nativity

Wednesday 17th December – Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 19th December – Christingle service

Friday 19th December – Last day of term

If you have any anything, you wish to talk to a member of the Year R team about, please do come and see us after school when we have dismissed all the children, contact us using our new email address or arrange an appointment at the office. The email address is toucans@egerton.kent.sch.uk The year R team, as well as Mrs Head, will be monitoring this regularly.