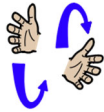


Core signs for our topic this term.



Our topic this term is 'Growing and Changing', here are some related signs for you to practice.

grow



change



baby



child



adult



Don't forget to say the words as you sign!



Wren Class Information for parents Term 1 Autumn 2023



Class Teacher and TAs
Victoria Butler (Teacher)
Janie Rumley (TALL)
Chloe Daysh (TA)
Tallia Kingston (TA)
Julie Davis (TA)

Regular events:

Monday:

Tuesday: Sensory Room

Wednesday: Music / Gong Therapy /
Food Technology / Singing Assembly

Thursday: Sports Enrichment—
Rebound Therapy

Friday: Ifield Life / Rainbow Room /



Welcome to Wren class and our first
Newsletter for the Academic Year!

General Information

We have had a wonderful start to the new academic year! This term our topic is 'Growing and Changing'. We would love to celebrate the 'Growing and Changing' of each of our pupils. Please could you send in some photographs of your child from birth to date.

If you would like to send this electronically, please email them to our school office.

Homework and contact

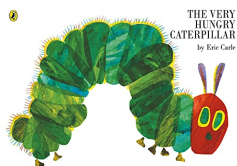
Thank you for using the Home/School Journals, the comments we receive are really helpful. Please do continue to let us know if you have any concerns. Please read/ share a book with your child every night. Please ensure that your child has the appropriate named clothing for activities we are doing such as PE kit/wellies/ coats

Foundations for Literacy

Pupils will continue to develop their communication through Objects of Reference, PECS, Makaton, Colourful Semantics and communication boards. Our learning time will include: Attention Autism and the Curiosity Programme. Pupils will continue to develop their fine motor, mark-making and handwriting skills through a range of activities, including Write Dance, Dough Disco and sensory trays.

We will have story sessions daily including story sacks and sensory stories. Each pupil will share a book with an adult.

Linked to this term's topic 'Growing and Changing' stories will include Big Cat Phonics 'Growing and Changing' and 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' by Eric Carle.



Foundations for Mathematics

Pupils will be following a personalised maths plan. Each week we will be focusing on a different mathematical concept exploring size including comparing size and ordering size, patterns, days of the week, counting and sequencing. There will be a variety of opportunities to explore these concepts as part of our learning time and our continuous provision.

Life Skills

The pupils will develop their life skills with the preparation of snack every day, personal hygiene and activities to encourage social interaction and turn taking. Every Friday we will be visiting Ifield Life. This will provide a realistic and thoroughly enjoyable learning experience with a clear emphasis on developing independence as part of the Ifield Life Programme.

PSED

Wren Class have begun to develop some wonderful relationships over the last two weeks. In PSED our main focus this term is continuing to develop relationships, particularly between the peers themselves during Attention Autism sessions and a variety of opportunities for turn taking activities. Daily, pupils are encouraged to express preferences and decisions through a Total Communication Approach.

Communication Interaction

Intensive Interaction is integrated throughout our day. It supports our pupils to enhance their social communication through developing the Fundamentals of Communication. There will be personalised focus on speech and language targets to facilitate early communication with a range of communication partners, including Curiosity Programme, Attention Autism, EHCP targets and 1:1 interventions.

Expressive Arts and Design

This term we will be focusing on exploring textures and colours. Each week we will be exploring a different colour.

The pupils will be introduced to a variety of textures and colours through tactile materials. Activities will include finger painting with textured paint, feeling different fabrics and exploring sensory bins filled with coloured materials.

Food Tech

Each week the pupils will be taking part in cooking lessons in our Food Tech Room. This will help to develop pupils' Life Skills.

Please send a £1 donation every week for this activity.



Physical Education

Pupils will have a PE lesson with our specialist PE teacher every Friday. They will develop their gross motor skills and co-ordination.



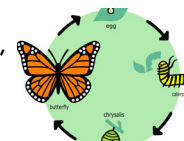
Sports Enrichment

This term Wren Class have Rebound Therapy every Thursday afternoon with a specialist teacher.

'Rebound Therapy' is a specific method using a full sized trampoline to provide opportunities for movement and therapeutic exercise.

Understanding of the World

Linked to our topic 'Growing and Changing', we are learning how humans develop over time. We have a role play area in our classroom for looking after babies. Linked to the story The Very Hungry Caterpillar, we will learn how caterpillars grow and change into butterflies.



Music

Every week we have a music lesson and Gong Therapy session. We sing a variety of songs and nursery rhymes throughout the day and have musical instruments as part of our continuous provision.

