

Core signs for our topic this term.



Our topic this term is 'Animal Homes', here are some related signs for you to practice.

Animal



Home



underground



Farm



Owl



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



Wren Class Information for parents

Term 4
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Regular events:
Monday: Gong Therapy
Tuesday: Sensory Room
Wednesday: Music / MEAPA Gym/
Food Technology / Singing Assembly
Thursday: Sports Enrichment
Friday: Ifield Life / Rainbow Room /
PE / PRIDE Assembly

General Information

This term our topic is called 'Animal Homes' which we will incorporate into all areas of learning. We are looking at visiting a farm at the end of the term. Each Wednesday morning this term a group of our students will be visiting MEAPA Gym.

Homework and contact

Thank you for using the Home/School Journals, the comments we receive are really helpful. Please read or 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 and jumpers.

Foundations for Literacy

Students 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. Students 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 'Animal Homes' our texts include 'Owl Babies', 'Old MacDonald had a Farm' and 'Animals Underground'.

Foundations for Mathematics

This term students will be focussing on counting objects and matching quantity to numerals.

The students will also revisit colour and pattern recognition.

Life Skills

The pupils will continue to develop their life skills with the preparation of snack everyday, 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

In PSED this term, we will continue to develop relationships, focusing on being able to notice peers when playing and beginning to initiate interactions with friends. This will help support students building caring friendships in RSE.

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 making requests of materials when engaging in a gluing activity e.g. by using a communication board. The students will be offered a variety of different sensory experiences. They will be encouraged to use a variety of resources to build animal homes.

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.



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 some of Wren Class will have swimming every Thursday afternoon with a specialist teacher. While other students will focus on gross motor, Tac Pac and communication in the Rainbow Room.

Understanding of the World

This term our learning will focus on identifying a single property of an object or animal e.g. soft Owl, hard twig.

We will also be developing our curiosity in the world outside and learning about different places animals live.

Music

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

