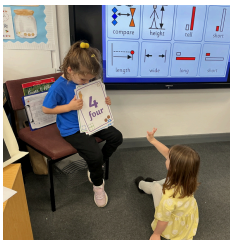
Daymer Class - Autumn 2













A warm welcome back to Daymer Class

Wow—didn't our first half term in Daymer Class just whizz by! I hope you all had a wonderful break and the children are excited for another fun-filled term of learning together. Mr Hawtin and I have been particularly impressed with how well the children have settled back into their daily routines. It is so lovely to see our work on transitions, partner talk, and independence naturally embedded in their everyday learning. The children are truly embracing our school motto—'Be Brave, Be Kind, Belong'—and how lucky are we that we get to spend another half term in their company! It's hard to believe that the countdown to Christmas is just around the corner; what a truly magical time of year this is for the children.

Unlocking the Past: 'Do You Remember When...?'

Get ready for a term packed with magical memories and vibrant celebrations! Our new topic is entitled 'Do You Remember When...?' We are kicking things off by reflecting on our learning from last term, recalling our daily routines, and sharing our exciting experiences of Bonfire Night. Next week, we will gently explore Remembrance and why it is so meaningful. From there, we will embark on a wonderful journey through celebrations around the world—discovering the sparkle of Diwali, the joy of birthdays, and of course, the festive magic of Christmas!

Handwriting

Cc Oo
Aa Gg
Qq Dd

Now that we have learnt most of our sounds, we have begun daily handwriting sessions! We start with fun gross and fine motor warm-up exercises before working our way through the letter families. We are all working hard to remember 'nip, flip, grip' to ensure our pencil grip is spot on!





Reading and Phonics

The children are working so hard to remember all the sounds we have learnt so far, and they are trying really hard to blend them together to read words! Over the next few weeks, we will recap some of the trickier sounds before moving on to our next set of letters.

This week, our focus has been on the letters **t, n, d,** and **g.** This term the children will bring home their new phonic book on a Friday. Please try to spend some time practising these books each day if you can.



Sing and Play



Next week will be our final session with the lovely Mrs Man. We have really enjoyed our musical sessions together and will continue to build on the skills we have been practising and developing!

Big Brush Club

Big Brush Club is up and running, and we are delighted to see so many children enthusiastically joining in to promote a healthy lifestyle. Keep up the super brushing, Daymer Class!

Maths

Wow! The children's confidence in number has greatly improved since the start of term, and we've loved seeing them transfer this skill to other areas of the curriculum. Maths really is everywhere you look! We have been learning to use our fingers to represent numerals 1–10 in different ways. We have also been learning to subitise the numbers 1–3. This is the ability to look at an amount and say the number without counting.



Tapestry

Please remember to take a look at our Tapestry entries to see all of the wonderful learning taking place in Daymer Class. We would also love to celebrate achievements that happen outside of school! Please feel free to upload photos so that we can celebrate these special moments with the children in class.

The Countdown Begins (Shhh!)



Next week, we will begin learning the songs for our Christmas play, 'Lights, Camel, Action!' We are also very much looking forward to our Santa by Steam trip on **Tuesday 1st December.** A huge thank you to the PTA for kindly funding the transport for this trip!

Finally

We hope the children have enjoyed being back in school just as much as we have enjoyed seeing their lovely, smiley, happy faces. We really did miss them over the half-term break! Please do come and see Mr Hawtin or myself if you have any questions or concerns. We are always here to listen and help however we can. Here's to another happy half term of learning together!

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