

# Early Years News



## Flourish at Hatfeild



We are excited to begin the Spring Term with our new topic of 'Amazing Adventures'. Nursery have read 'Dear Zoo' and are looking at 'Rosie's Walk' as their next book. Reception began the term reading 'Lost and Found' and this week read 'AstroGirl' which has provided us with many opportunities for learning across the curriculum. We look forward to sharing our next books with you over the coming weeks. Our Topic for Spring 2 is 'Growing and Changing' and we are hopeful to see some sunshine and get outside more!

## Upcoming Events

- 6 February - Number Day
- 13 February - Open afternoon
- 13 February - Break up for half term
- W/c 16 February - Half term
- 23 February - Inset day
- 10 March - Parents' evening - in-person appointments
- 12 March - Parents' evening - online appointments
- 27 March - Break up for half term - Finish at 1:30pm
- W/c 30 March - Easter holidays
- 13 April - Back to school



## Donations

Thank you for all your donations and support with our resources - it is very much appreciated.

We continue to need junk modelling - small items are best - small boxes and containers, toilet rolls, kitchen rolls etc. We also need plain flour, cream of tartar, salt and vegetable oil so we can continue to make playdough for each class.

If you are getting rid of any puzzles or toys at home, then please do check to see if Early Years would be able to use them - it is always good to have some new resources! Thanks again for your ongoing kindness and support.



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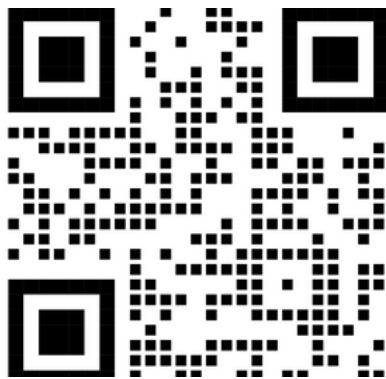
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### Phonics and Literacy



At Hatfeild, we use Read Write Inc. as our phonics scheme. Reception are enjoying their daily phonic lessons and all children are bringing home a reading book. Please ensure that the reading book is sent into school each day so we can read with your child each week. Books will be changed when we read with your child, providing they are confident in reading the book they already have. Sometimes, it is helpful for them to read each book several times.

Below is the QR code again so you can learn more about our phonics scheme.



### Other helpful information

- Please ensure that all your children's clothing items are **named** - including hats, gloves and scarves.
- A gentle reminder that we are a healthy school and all snacks and lunches in Nursery should be balanced and nutritious.
- If you have any old or spare children's socks at home that you no longer need, please could we have them as we have a big spare sock shortage in Early Years! Thank you.
- A reminder that the Nursery door is only staffed from 8.40-9.00am, 11.45 -11.50am and 3.15-3.20pm. This is to ensure that all staff are engaged with children and supporting their learning throughout the day. If you arrive to drop off or pick up your child at any other time, please go to the main school office. Thank you.
- PE day for Reception is Friday during Spring 1 and after half term it will be Thursday for Spring 2 when the children will be having dance lessons.
- Reception children - reading books in every day please.
- Any questions or queries, please do speak to your class teacher at the door. Thank you