



Onyx Class Newsletter

April Term 5



This Term

Dear Parents/ carers,

We hope you all had a wonderful easter break!

In term 5, our new topic will be "All creatures great and small." Our big question, "How do we care for animals?", will guide our learning as we explore a wide range of animals — from wild creatures to pets — and discover their habitats, special adaptations (their "superpowers"), and life cycles.

Children will learn through sensory stories, hands-on experiences, role play, and creative activities such as designing animal patterns. Throughout the term, we'll continue supporting each child's EHCP targets with carefully planned, engaging individual activities.

In maths, we'll be focusing on geometry, exploring shapes and patterns, while also continuing to build and apply number knowledge through personalised tasks.

As part of our learning for life sessions, we'll also be thinking about how to care for sick animals. children will practise identifying where an animal might be hurt or unwell and explore simple ways we can help.

We're looking forward to a fun and engaging term full of curiosity, creativity, and lots of animal adventures.

Vocabulary

Animals	Patterns	Wild
Habitats	Adults	Vet
Life Cycles	Young	Pets
Camouflage	Domestic	Colours

Sign of the Week

1	Snack time
2	Wash hands
3	Sit down
4	Stand up
5	To want

Important Dates

Bank Holiday: Monday 4th May

End of Term: Friday 22nd May

Reminders

Class PE lessons this term are on Monday and Friday where we'll be focusing on our athletic skills. Please can the children wear their PE kits on these days. We will also continue to have Forest school on Monday and Friday afternoons, please come prepared with a rain jacket or change of clothes for those rainy days.

Just a little reminder to name all the children's clothing and belongings, this helps us to reunite it quickly and reduces anxiety when items are misplaced. The children are welcome to bring in a small healthy snack for break, for example a piece of fruit/vegetable or crackers.

Please do not hesitate to use the Class Dojo app to communicate with us.

