

DOWNSEND PRE-PREP TIMES



Leatherhead



Weekly outdoor learning with
Woodland Forest School

Friday, 10 February

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Message from the Head Teacher

What a great half term we have had! We are so proud of our children's achievements and all that we have done. Thank you all for your support and we look forward to meeting you to discuss your child's progress at our parents' evening scheduled for Thursday 23 March.

Parents of our current Rising Reception are invited to an Open Morning on Tuesday 21 February at 9 am to see Reception and Year 1 children at work, to meet the staff and to ask as many questions as you like about the transition into full time school.

Families are invited to our Open / Activity morning on Saturday 4 March between 9.30 and 11.30 am. The theme for the activities is "Stories". Refreshments will be served throughout the morning.

Miss Vinson, TA in RRAH, is taking maternity leave from after half term, we wish her all the very best for the birth of her first child. We welcome Miss Rebecca Hajdu as TA in Mrs Hampshire's class. Mrs Tracey Tullett also joins the team as a TA after the break, she will work in different classes throughout the week.

We hope you have a good break next week and the children return refreshed for the second half of the term on Monday 20 February.

Gill Brooks

Don't forget...

- If the weather is inclement please check the website before starting out for school.
- On Tuesday 21 February parents of RR children are invited to see the school in action at 9 am.

Date for your diary

You are all welcome to join us for an activity morning on Saturday 4 March between 9.30 and 11 am.



On a cold Thursday morning Year 1 had an exciting time at the Main Site having Forest School with Mr Bristow. They enjoyed exploring the whole Forest School area and sharing with the others the exciting objects they had found. The children then found a partner and they had to make a shelter for their 'Rock Buddy' so it would be safe and warm. We finished the time there with a much needed hot chocolate sitting in the teepee. The children are really looking forward to Forest School at the Main Site in September.



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Golden Board

Achievements in class work, good manners and excellent behaviour are celebrated in a special Assembly every Thursday.

ISB – Michael H

IVL – Dylan W

IAH – Emma C

RCM – Finlay P-S

RJE – Mary Wi

RAG – Oliver S

RRLC enjoyed buying fruit and veg from their shop!

Reception Visit Africa

This week's country on our journey around the world is Africa. This week we have been on safari around the school field on the hunt for African animals and made a tropical fruit salad (including food tasting) having read the book 'Handa's Surprise'.



Events for week commencing 20 February

Tues 21 Feb

Rising Reception parents visit Reception and Year 1.

Inspiring young minds