

Literacy:

Our Drawing Club sessions will continue this half term, where we will be continuing to supporting children to independently compose and write CVC words and simple, phonetically plausible sentences. In phonics, our learning has progressed to Basics 4. No new letter sounds are learned in this block; learning focuses on consolidation and recap of previously taught sounds and we begin to learn about adjacent consonants, sometimes known as consonant clusters. We will continue to send home tricky word cards and learning leaflets on a weekly basis; please do continue to look at these with your child as often as possible.

Maths:

We will be looking at 3D shapes in the first week back after Easter, discussing their properties and how they are different to 2D shapes that we have previously learned about. As the half term progresses, we will continue our learning about shapes, looking at how they can be manipulated and used to create other shapes. We will be learning all about numbers both within and greater than 20 and the patterns that can be observed when counting, as well as deepening our existing knowledge of addition and subtraction.

Understanding The World:

As we move further into spring, we will continue to observe seasonal change and growth around us. We will be enjoying the warmer weather in our outdoor environments and link this to our topic, exploring different outdoor games we can play together and talking about managing winning and losing, drawing on our own experiences from home, within our community and learning about people around the world. We will hopefully see our tadpoles grow into froglets this half term, too!



Hevingham
Primary School

Summer Term 1 – 2026

‘Winning and Losing’

Hedgehog Class

Communication & Language:

During the Summer Term, Hedgehog Class will continue to develop communication and language skills in exciting and engaging ways. Through our topic, winning and losing, children will take part in games, group challenges, and storytelling activities which encourage them to listen carefully, take turns, and express their ideas clearly. They will learn to talk about their feelings when they win or lose, describe strategies, and reflect on their experiences, helping to build confidence in speaking and understanding. In addition, daily story sessions, role-play, and opportunities for discussion will continue to expand vocabulary, develop sentence structure, and strengthen listening skills.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development:

This half term, we will be exploring the feelings surrounding winning and losing and how to be a good friend even when we do not achieve the result we were hoping for. We will be continuing our learning about perseverance and developing a growth mindset, talking about successes and trying again if we encounter failure. We will have our weekly circle time sessions together, talking more about strategies we can use when we find ourselves needing to manage uncomfortable feelings and emotions.

Key Information:

- * PE continues to take place on a Tuesday afternoon – please ensure children have their named kit in school.
- * Please make sure your child brings a named water bottle to school which only contains water. Juice is fine in lunchboxes!
- * Continue to support your child’s phonics by reading with them regularly recording in their reading record at least 3 times a week.
- * As the weather is becoming warmer, please send your child to school wearing a long-lasting sunscreen on sunny days and ensure they have a named hat in their bag.

Expressive Art and Design:

We will be continuing to explore a range of artistic effects this half term, focusing some of our learning on patterns and shape and looking at artwork from some well-known artists. Children continue to have access to our small world and role play areas, extending this into the outdoor area as they wish and allowing lots of opportunities to be imaginative and creative. In music, we will be learning about different dynamics within pieces of music that we listen to and learning how to explore this with our bodies, voices and instruments! We will also begin to experiment with storytelling through music.

Fine and Gross Motor Skills:

We will be continuing to support emerging handwriting skills, looking at correct letter formation as we continue our phonics learning and Drawing Club sessions. We will be enjoying a wide range of outdoor games and activities to promote gross motor skills and encourage team work and collaboration and towards the end of the half term, we will begin to talk about our upcoming sports day which will take place in the final half term of the year. In PE, we will begin our ‘Land of Fairytales’ adventure, where we will learn and develop skills including refining and combining movements and using equipment safely and effectively.

Confident and Healthy Individuals

Responsible Citizens

Successful Learners