

# Chestnut Curriculum Letter Summer 2026



## Reminders:

- Once the weather warms up (hopefully very soon!) please apply long lasting sun screen before school.
- Cooking money is £2 per term – please hand in to our classroom, many thanks.
- We have our trip to Gatton Park on 19<sup>th</sup> May and our class assembly is on 7<sup>th</sup> July.
- At the end of the school year the children are assessed against the standards set within the Early Learning Goals. More information regarding this can be found here:

[www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-foundation-stage-framework--2](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-foundation-stage-framework--2)

## Literacy

The children will continue to have daily Little Wandle phonics lessons, practising known sounds, learning new ones, reading matched books, and building confidence with tricky words. They are starting to write dictated sentences.

## Maths Development:

We will continue to practise counting, adding, and subtracting numbers, with children sharing and doubling amounts through practical, hands-on activities. The children will also learn to recognise and explore 3D shapes.

## This Terms Theme:

### Goodies and Baddies:

The children will be learning about both fictional and real-life superheroes.

### Understanding Our World:

We will be looking at various aspects of the world around us. This will be explored further during 'Forest Fun' sessions and our trip to Gatton Park.

## Understanding the World:

The children will go to the wooded area, for 'Forest Fun'. They can explore nature, build dens, play cooperatively and develop confidence through hands-on outdoor activities.

### **Computing:**

The children will further develop their skills in technology. They will use tablets, interactive games and simple programs to develop early computing skills.

### **Expressive Art and Design:**

The children will explore a range of creative activities, including art, music (with Mrs Meyer, exploring sound), dance, and imaginative play, using a variety of materials to express their ideas.

### **PSED:**

We will continue to celebrate the positive attributes of learners during 'Star Learner of the Week'

We will continue to refer to and reflect on 'The Ongar School Rules'.

During circle time we shall be talking about the transition into Year 1. You will receive more information about this soon.

We will be having learning conversations about the importance of good health and a healthy diet, and talk about ways to keep healthy and safe.

Looking carefully at photographs the children will sketch and paint their favourite superheroes, based on what they see.

### **Physical Development:**

The children will continue their swimming sessions on Thursday mornings. Please let me know if you are available to help and have a DBS.

Once the weather has warmed up we will be making the most of our PE sessions by sometimes using the field. Please add trainers or plimsols to your child's PE kit.