

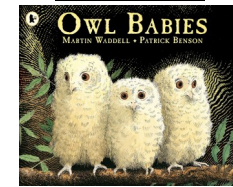


Core School Value	Trips, Enrichment Days and Visitors	Parental Involvement
Courage	Eagle Heights / British Wildlife Centre	Show and Share Reading with parents

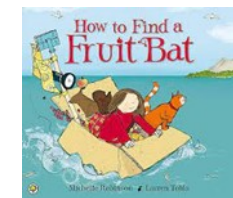
Birch—Term 1

Literacy	Our focus texts this term are 'Owl Babies' by Martin Waddell and 'How to Find a Fruit Bat' by Michelle Robison and Lauren Tobia. We are focusing on reading and writing individual letters and saying the corresponding sound for them. We are also working on hearing the initial sounds in words.
Maths	In maths we are going to begin with matching, sorting, comparing amounts, size, mass and capacity and making simple patterns . We will then be learning about numbers 1, 2 and 3 and thinking about how they're built.
Communication and Language	We are going to be focusing on listening carefully and following simple instructions. We are developing social phrases such as 'Good Morning', 'Good Afternoon', 'Please and Thank you' and addressing people by their name.
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	We are going to be working on seeing ourselves as valuable individuals, building constructive and respectful relationships and expressing their feelings and considering the feelings of others.
Physical Development	We are going to be focusing on developing our skills in order to manage the school day. For example, lining up, personal hygiene and mealtimes. We are also working on fundamental movement skills such as running, jumping, hopping and crawling.
Understanding the World	We are going to be thinking about the natural world around us as well as different people, cultures and communities.
Expressive Arts and Design	We are going to be working on developing storylines in our pretend play. We will also be singing, making music and exploring arts and crafts.
RE	We are going to be thinking about who Christians are, what the Bible is, what the word 'God' means to Christians and how Christians believe that the world was created.

Core Books



Owl Babies by Martin Waddell. This book is about three owlets that wake up one night to find their mother gone, worry about her absence, but are then elated when she inevitably returns from her night flight.



How to Find a Fruit Bat by Michelle Robinson and Lauren Tobia. What do you do if you're not too keen on eating fruit? An amiable voice suggests a solution – go and find a fruit bat! You'll need to make a plan and take a long journey but in the end you're sure to find a friendly fruit bat and maybe you'll discover that fruit is enjoyable after all.