



## Ladybird Class News June 2026

We are so excited to welcome everyone back to Ladybird Class for a fun-filled term ahead! Our amazing team includes Mrs Simmons, Miss Key, Mrs Ridgeway, Miss Holland, and Mrs Askew, all ready to support your children's learning adventures. This term, we will explore some exciting themes that include:

- Summer
- Seaside/Pirates
- Carnival
- Summer Holidays Past and Present

These themes are designed to spark curiosity and help children understand their feelings, fitting perfectly with the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) curriculum. Each topic will provide lots of hands on learning opportunities, encouraging children to ask questions and share their emotions. We invite you to support these themes at home by chatting with your child about them and trying out related activities together.

## Athletics in PE!

This half term, we are thrilled to introduce athletics as our physical education focus! Our sessions will take place on Thursday mornings.

## Book Change Schedule

- **Monday:** Red Team
- **Tuesday:** Green Team
- **Wednesday:** Yellow Team
- **Thursday:** Blue Team

Regular book changes allow children to discover new stories and improve their reading skills. We encourage parents to set aside special reading time at home, as this can really help their child's literacy journey.

## Phonics Focus

This term, we have started Level 4 Phonics. Phonics is a key part of early reading development, helping children to sound out words and develop their reading and writing skills.

In our phonics sessions, children will practice making simple sentences and captions, which are important for developing their communication skills. We encourage parents to join in at home by using phonics strategies during reading time. This can include sounding out words together or creating simple sentences using familiar words.

## **Sun Safety and Coats**

As the weather starts to change, we kindly ask that all children have sun hats in school. Please apply sun cream in the morning, and if you would like your child to reapply it at lunchtime, you can leave a named bottle on the windowsill.

On the other hand, please make sure your child has a coat in school, as we will continue to go outside for lunch no matter the weather. Your help with this is greatly appreciated, as it keeps all children safe and comfy during outdoor activities.

We also encourage chats at home about the importance of sun safety and dressing appropriately for the weather, reinforcing these important lessons.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Mrs Simmons and the Reception Team.