

Reception



Snowy Owl, Tawny Owl and
Barn Owl classes

Reception staff

- Snowy Owl class: Mrs Clark, Miss Freestone and Miss Froude
- Tawny Owl class: Miss Busby, Miss Ward and Miss Brett
- Barn Owl class: Mrs Dacombe, Miss Beatty, Miss Julya and Miss Jacobi
- Miss Julya (Pupil Premium champion)

Outline of the day

- The school day is 8.45am to 3.15pm.
- School classroom doors close at 9am. If you arrive after this time, please bring your child in via the office and your child will be marked in the register as 'late'.
- Parents who are regularly late bringing their child to school will be warned and receive a fine.
- If you are late collecting your child, your child will be taken over to After School Club and you will be charged for this service.

Outline of the day

During the day

Maths fluency

Phonics

Snack

2 x Adult directed learning activities

(1 in the morning & 1 in the afternoon)

Child initiated learning times: learning within the classroom and out of doors

Handwriting

Shared reading

Poem of the Week

Lunch and outside play (inside if raining)

Stories, rhymes and singing

Outline of the day

Once a week for each class

RE, Jigsaw and Music

PE days are **Tuesday** and **Wednesday**

Children come into school wearing their PE kit

Tracksuit bottoms/leggings or shorts (black/grey/dark blue),

A plain white t-shirt or a red/green school T-shirt

School jumper or a plain red/green jumper/fleece

Trainers

PE begins on Tuesday 23rd September

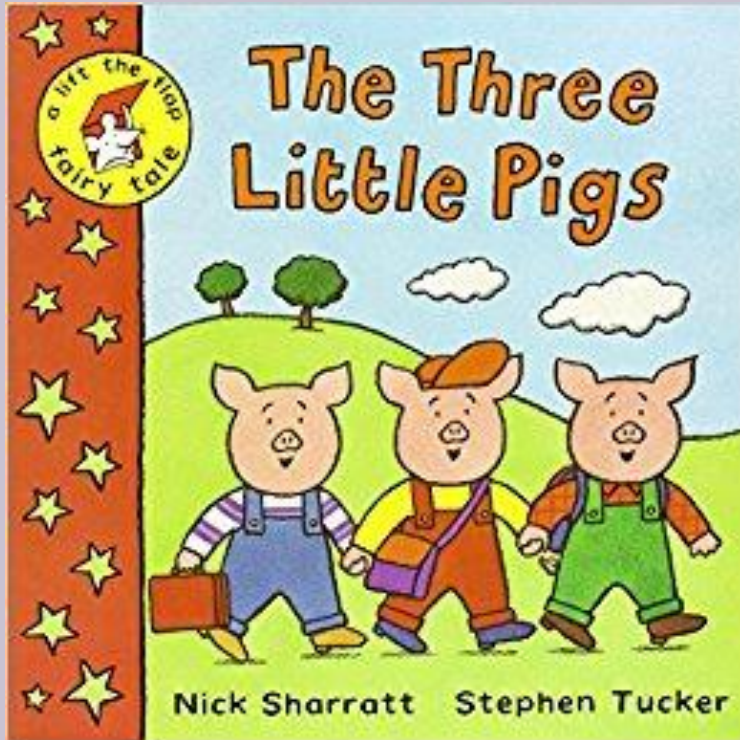
Long hair must be tied back and no earrings. If your child has their ears pierced, they must be covered with surgical tape.

Speaking and Listening: My Special Box

A letter will go out showing the date of your child's turn.

My Special Box is on a Thursday.

Topics: Autumn term



Autumn first half term

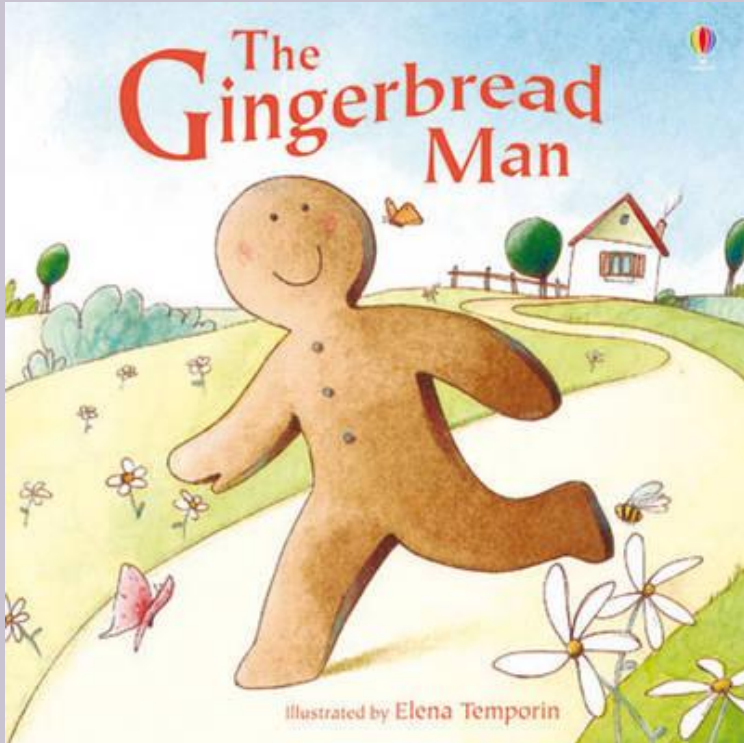
Imaginative Storytelling
linked to
The Three Little Pigs



Autumn second half term

Wolves and
Environments

Topics: Spring term



Spring first half term

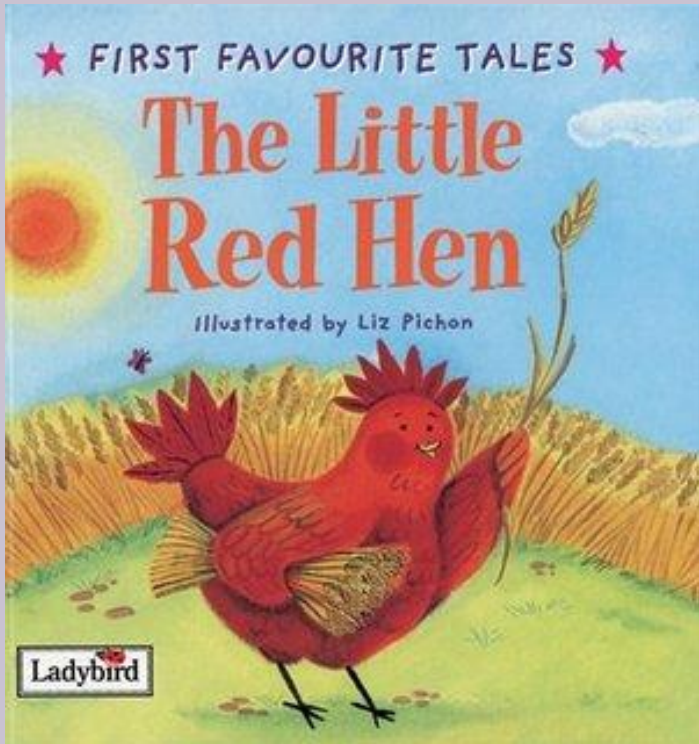
Food Technology and Science
Investigations linked to
The Gingerbread Man



Spring second half term

Safe Journeys

Topics: Summer term



Summer first half term

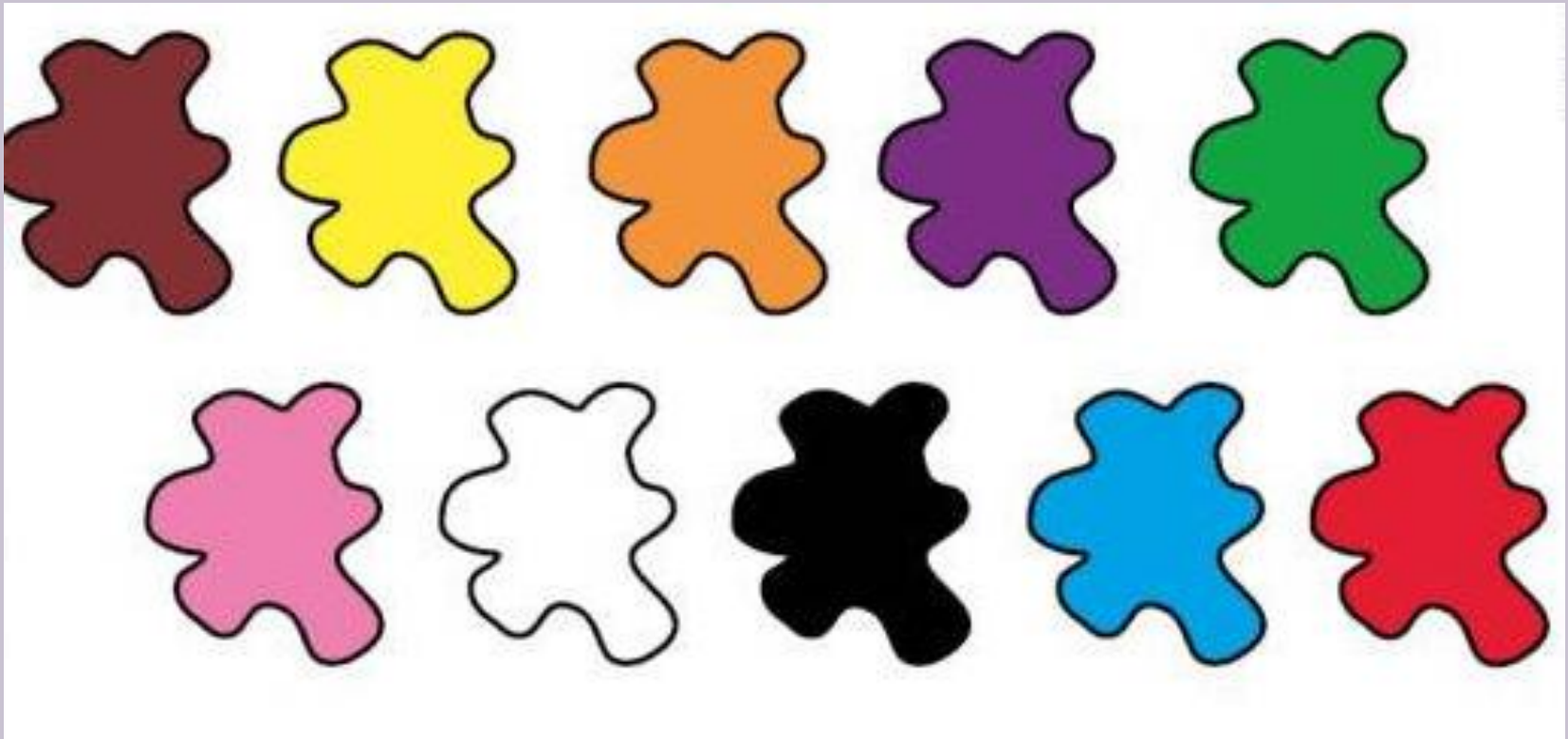
Life Cycles linked to
The Little Red Hen



Summer second half term

Growing

Colour learning groups



Reading

Daily phonics

Non-text reading books and children are encourage to discuss the illustrations

Reading books: Sounding out words plus common exception words

Reading - everyday



Reading

“If a child is never read to by the time they are 5 years old, they would have heard 4662 words. If a child is read to daily, they will hear 296,660 words!”


National Literacy Trust



Super readers and Stars of the Week

Super reader of the week!

Awarded to



Awarded at the end of each week

Online learning



Stay and Read



Stay and Read will begin on Friday 7th November from 8.45 to 9.15.

An opportunity for you to come into your child's classroom and read books to your child.

Everyone is most welcome.

Mobile phones are not allowed to be used in any classrooms in the school.

Other important information

Named water bottles only
No squash, fruit juice or fruit flavoured drinks



Collecting children

Medication + lip balm



Illness

Headlice

Concerns



Dogs on school grounds



No dogs are allowed onto the school grounds or tied up on the fence posts outside the school.

In addition, puppies cannot be brought onto the school grounds even when wrapped up inside a coat.

Birthdays



It is very exciting time for a child to celebrate their birthday at school.

At Giles, we promote having a healthy lifestyle through food, exercise and hygiene.

Many of our children in school have intolerances or allergies to food, so when it is your child's birthday, please do not bring in sweets or cakes to be shared amongst the children.

School uniform

Please name the following: jumpers, cardigans, shirts, T-shirts/blouses, trousers, dresses, coats, PE kit, shoes, plimsolls and boots.

Please name your child's book bag and PE bag. No **backpacks** as cloakroom pegs are spaced close together.

Winter: hat, scarf and gloves

Summer: sun hat, sun cream to be applied at home



Parent Consultations

- **Autumn term consultations:**

Monday 20th October, 3.30 - 5.30pm

Tuesday 21st October, 3.30 - 5.30pm

Wednesday 22nd October, 3.30 - 5.30pm



Nearer the time your child's class teacher will have a clipboard with the times on for you to book an appointment.

At this consultation, the staff discuss how your child is settling in, each child will receive a Next Steps Activity Pack and a target sheet with three personalised targets linked to the Early Years curriculum.

- Parent Consultation in 2nd half of **Spring term** to review Autumn targets and set new targets.

- Full written report provided towards the end of **Summer term**.

School website

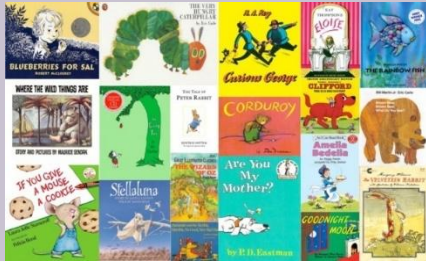
School website:

www.gilesnurseryandinfants.co.uk

The screenshot displays the homepage of the school website. On the left is a green sidebar with icons and text for 'Welcome', 'Newsletters', 'Calendar', and 'Quick Links'. The main content area features a large photograph of children in school uniforms. A navigation menu at the top includes 'Home', 'About Us', 'Key Information', 'Curriculum', 'Children', 'Parents', and 'News and Letters'. Utility links for 'Change Language', 'Search', and 'High Visibility' are also present. The school's name, 'The Giles Nursery and Infants' School', is prominently displayed in white text over the photo. A red banner at the bottom of the photo area says 'Welcome to our website'. The footer contains links for 'Log in', copyright information, 'School Website by Juniper Websites', 'High Visibility Version', 'Sitemap', and 'Privacy Policy Cookie Settings'.

School information

Volunteers



FROG (PTA)

Friends and Relatives of Giles



Forthcoming meetings will be announced in the weekly newsletters.

School council



MP pops in to congratulate a new school council team

You're never too young to start having a voice – just ask the members of the school council at Giles Nursery and Infant School.

Each class at the school in Durham Road, Stevenage, elects two representatives to sit on the council, which is consulted on changes to school life.

The 14 new council members were announced during a special assembly and presented with their badge of office by town MP Stephen McPartland, whose wife is a teacher at the school.

Mr McPartland: "I was very proud to speak with each new member and present them with their badges.

"I know they do a great job. It is really nice that so many parents turned up to support the children and the whole school took part in the assembly."

Headteacher Rouane Mendel expressed her thanks to Mr McPartland, adding: "His attendance shows a real commitment to local education and helped to bring alive for the children the real meaning of a school council." Mr McPartland, pictured above with school council members, headteacher Mrs Mendel and his wife Emma, is a keen supporter of school councils. The Giles council was established for years ago, and the model is in use at other primary schools in the town.

Each class appoints a school councillor after the October half term.

School safety

Before and after school, children are not allowed on any climbing frame or allowed to ride their scooter or bicycles on school grounds.



Any questions?

