

Nursery Newsletter : Spring 2 2021

Hello everyone! On behalf of the Nursery team, we would like to send you our warmest wishes in welcoming you back to school. We understand that this is a time of uncertainty but we will do our utmost to keep you and your little one safe and happy. A very special welcome to all our new children and families. We look forward to learning with you over the coming months.

This half term we will be ensuring that your child is settling back in to school well and that they are enjoying their time in Nursery. We will be spending lots of time supporting them during their transition. Please come and speak to a member of the team if you want to discuss how your child is settling back in.

Our focus for the rest this term will be "How many colours in a rainbow?" to develop your child's understanding of colour in the natural and man-made world. There will be lots of opportunities for your child to learn about the natural and man-made world, as well as finding out how colours can be mixed to make other colours and patterns.

Young children need lots of physical movement, so we will aim to be outdoors learning in all types of weather. Please ensure your child has a pair of wellies in school that are clearly labelled. Please also bring in a spare pair of clothes in a bag to leave on your child's peg. If your child has an accident or is wet from exploring exciting water activities, we will change them but we will need the appropriate clothing to do so.

If you have any questions or would like any more ideas on how to help your child progress on their learning journey, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the team via telephone.

Mrs Brookes - Nursery Class Teacher
Mrs Rosser - Nursery Teaching Assistant
Mrs Tyrrell - Nursery Teaching Assistant

In Physical Development we will be using our bodies in various ways, to gain control of large and small movements and practising going over, under and through things.

In Expressive Art and Design we will be exploring a range of materials to reflect, make sense of and interpret our own thinking.

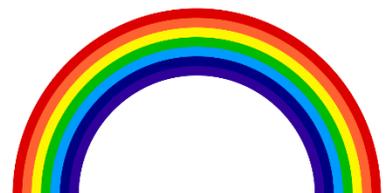
In Communication and Language we will be developing language about our immediate environment and the world around us.

In Personal, Social and Emotional Development we will be learning to show affection, care and concern towards each other and our environment.

In Understanding of the World we will be discovering various types of families and what makes ours unique.

Dates for your diary

Friday 5th March -
World Book Day
Monday 8th March -
Whole School Re-opening
Friday 19th March -
Red Nose Day
Mon 8th - Fri 12th March -
Maths/Science Week
Thursday 1st April -
Break up





Literacy

In Nursery we will sing songs, read stories and rhymes everyday.

Each half term we will be focusing on books related to our class author (Michael Rosen) and those related to our current thinking. Books we will study this half term are "Elmer" and "Three Billy Goats Gruff".

During small group time, children will focus on key skills which enable them to become great readers and great writers. Key skills include listening, paying attention, keeping concentration and taking turns to talk.

Numeracy

In our number work we will be developing our counting skills with numbers from 1-10, exploring how to sequence (the order of numbers) and matching an amount to a given number. We will also be exploring and naming 2D shapes.



Attendance and Punctuality

The continued message is of course that 'Every Day Matters' - Every day that your child misses is a day of learning lost. Please support us by ensuring that your child attends school every day and is in school ready to start their learning by 8:30am. This is particularly crucial after the missed learning that the Covid-19 school closures may have caused.

Reading

In Nursery, it is important to read stories with your child every day. This enables your child to look at and interpret what is happening in the pictures and predict what might happen next. We will send home a school reading book every week. We ask for you to complete a comment in their reading log once a week to inform the Nursery team on how your child is reading at home.

Reading books will be reviewed and changed on **Thursdays** where book bags will need to remain at school, then a new book will be sent home on **Friday**. As books can be shared at any time of the week it is very important for reading books and reading logs to be brought to school **every day**. For any reading books which are damaged or not returned to school there will be a charge.

Homework

Nursery will also receive a 'Topic Homework Challenge' sheet every half term. Your child will need to complete ONE piece of homework each week. They have been designed so that parents and children can work together on homework tasks.

We hope that you enjoy them.