

Nursery Newsletter

Spring Term 2

Hello! We are now over halfway through the school year, and the children are very busy and enjoying their learning. This newsletter will give you a little more information about what we will be getting up to in Spring 2.

Our Learning

This half term our topic is '**Come Outside**'. We are beginning our learning this half term by exploring plants, and we move on to 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar', weather and seasons, farming and where food comes from, then finally Spring and Easter.

In Maths we continue to practise counting and number recognition within 10. During daily carpet time we practise counting and number work linked to our topics, to help the children become more and more confident with their understanding of number.

We are continuing to practise Phase 1 phonics skills. We are also playing games to help us tune into the initial sounds in words, and we have a sound of the week to help the children become more familiar with letters and their sounds.



Spare Clothes

Please ensure your child has a **change of clothes in school in a labelled bag**. This includes a *top, trousers, pants and socks*. We do have some spare nursery clothes but unfortunately we are running very low as these are often not returned to nursery after going home on children. If you have nursery clothes at home please can these be returned so they may be re-used. Please also ensure if your child is changed into their spare clothes that these are returned to their bag ready for next time.

Reading

Every Friday children will be given the chance to choose a story book to take home and enjoy over the weekend. Please return the book in book bags the following Monday. The children love story time at nursery and look forward to sharing stories with grown ups at home too. Enjoying stories together helps children to develop a love of reading, supports a great bedtime routine, and is an important step on the way to becoming confident readers themselves as they move through school

Tapestry

We are really enjoying using Tapestry in Nursery and have lots of evidence of the children's fantastic learning! Your child will have at least 1 new observation each week, so do log in so you can see what they have been busy doing at nursery. If you are not yet signed up, please ask a member of staff for a Tapestry sign up sheet to complete your details. Please also check your '**junk email**' for the activation email if you can't see it in your inbox.



Attendance

Please ensure that you are on time when dropping off and collecting from Nursery sessions. Many children are coming up to 30 minutes late, which can make it more difficult for them to settle and they miss carpet sessions. Being on time means the children get into the best routine from the very beginning of each session and don't miss any learning time. The session times are as follows:



AM: 8.45 - 11.45

PM: 12.15 - 3.15

Home learning

Each week we will share a 'home learning' post on Tapestry. This will include a number and sound for the upcoming week that you can practise with your child, and a suggested nursery rhyme.

Please use Tapestry to share photos of special events or activities your child has enjoyed outside of school. We can use these to talk to your child about their home life and things they enjoy. They love to share their lives with us!

Snack time

During snack time all children are provided with a healthy snack and a choice of either milk or water to drink. Snacks from home do not need to be sent in.

If you would like your child to bring a drink from home please ensure it is brought in a clearly named bottle.

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to another fun term.

The Nursery Team