

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely half term and enjoyed the couple of days of sunshine.

Please ensure that you are aware of our fire exit route, assembly point and policy in case of a fire during picking up or dropping off times. I have put this on the Nursery door for everyone to read.

Thank you to those who have paid their cooking & messy play money. We still have some parents that have not contributed, if you think you may not be up to date with the cooking money, please come and see me.

We work hard to do the best for your child. If, at any time you have any concerns please come and talk to the Nursery staff, or put a note in their school bag - these are checked every day.

Thank you for your support,

Mrs Norwood, Mrs Bangs and all the Nursery Staff.

Literacy

The children will continue to develop their phonic knowledge. They will continue to work through the Phase 2 phonemes and we will focus more on segmenting and blending. Now we are half way through the year, letter formation will be an area we will focus on and the children will be encouraged to try and form recognisable letters, as well as, segment CVC words in order to write them, e.g. cat, mat, hat.

The children will also be encouraged to try and segment and blend CVC words to support them in their reading. This will be achieved through games and activities. For example, using puppets, objects, songs and clapping out words. The children will also begin to build words using phoneme bibs and phoneme cards.

At home you could support your child in their name writing (using the school script) and also encouraging them to write any sounds they can hear in words. For example, if they have drawn a picture, can they then write the initial sound



Mathematical Development

The children will be developing their number recognition and we will begin with numbers of personal significance. The children will be encouraged to represent this number in a variety of ways. For example it could be making attempts at writing the number, using multilink or other objects to make that number. We will also be focusing on number problems and encouraging the children to think outside of the box. We will encourage the children to share their ideas which will support them in their personal, social and emotional development.

Physical Development

P.E will continue on Fridays and we will start using larger equipment with the children. This will develop their confidence, as well as, hand eye coordination. We will also be developing throwing and catching skills and we will also observe the effect exercise has on our bodies. We also do The Daily Mile every day except Friday, encouraging the children to follow the outdoor track at their own pace for about 10-15 minutes.

The children have the opportunity to have a snack at any time during morning/afternoon session. They can help themselves to fruit and a drink of milk or water at any time. To support us with this, please could we ask for fun size fruits that the children can manage independently. We also receive one type of fruit daily from the School Fruit Scheme.



Nursery Spring Term 2 2018 Superheroes and Dinosaurs RE- Easter



Understanding of the World

The children will learn about different occupations and we will talk about our real life superheroes. For example Policeman, Paramedics, Doctors and Nurses etc. If there is a parent who has an occupation like this and you would like to come and talk to the children about your job, please come and see me. It would be lovely to have some volunteers and we will always offer a cup of tea and a biscuit as a thank you.



Personal, Social & Emotional Development

This half term, we will focus on sharing and turn taking. This is a skill that some children still find hard to apply in the Nursery. We will encourage team work and activities such as completing puzzles and games with each other. All the children are developing their confidence in P.E and are able to put their shoes and socks on independently. Fantastic! Just one request, please could you refrain from sending your child in wearing tights on a Friday as it makes it harder for your child to change for P.E.

Expressive Arts and Design

Developing your children's interest and skills is a fundamental part of the Nursery. This half term we will supply the children with various craft resources and equipment to develop and extend their creative imaginations. They will have opportunities to take part in a lot of free choosing in the art area and to explore with various materials. For example they may wish to make their own dinosaur cave or superhero house. If you have any craft resources that you no longer want, we will happily take them off your hands!

