

NURSERY



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Coming up week beginning 1.5.23

School is closed on Monday 1st May

Coronation celebration- Friday 5th May.

Please wear red, white and blue!

Nursery will be having their own celebration picnic in the outside area. Please can ALL Nursery children bring a picnic on this day. See below for information about lunch boxes.

Spare clothes

If your child has outgrown their school clothes we would be grateful of any donations as we are running low on most clothes, especially tracksuit trousers and socks!

Theme for the Term: All things bright and beautiful

The focus this half term will focus on investigating things that grow and change, caring and respecting living things and exploring life cycles of plants and animals.

Theme for the week: Chicks!

Understanding the World

We have been very excited to watch the eggs crack and the little chicks hatch out of them! The next week will be all about finding out about chicks, learning new vocabulary associated with the chicks and what they look like, how they move, and their features. We will also continue to learn more about other creatures that hatch out of eggs.

Here is the vocabulary we will introduce:

Hatch, pipping, hen, rooster, flock.

Literacy

Higgly Hen loses all of her eggs. Will she find them before they hatch? This book continues the theme of the life cycle of chickens, while also embedding the new words we have learnt such as 'hatch'.



Maths

After reading Higgly Hen, we will continue the chick and egg theme by playing lots of maths games with play chicks and plastic eggs, exploring counting, subitising, and ordering numbers correctly when counting. There will be many number problems to solve when playing these games too!

Phonics

The sound we are focusing on is 'j'. We will explore lots of words that start with 'j' though hearing the sound 'j' in words. Remember - when exploring sounds in phonics we are focusing on just the phonemes aurally - just the sounds, not the letter name or the written symbol that represents a sound.

Here are a few reminders to help with the daily running of the Nursery.

What to bring into Nursery

Please ensure your child has the following with them every day:

- Clearly named water bottle (a familiar sticker might be useful). This must contain only water please, not juice.
- Clearly named book bag- it is helpful for the book bag to have one keyring on so that your child is able to recognise the book bag.
- Clearly named coat.

Your child does not need to bring in an additional rucksack with fruit or spare clothes (unless we have a separate arrangement that has been agreed). It is important that your child is able to be independent from the start, so less items to remember will help!

Lunchboxes

If your child is in Emperor Penguins please remember to pack a healthy, manageable lunch for your child to eat. If there is too much in their lunchbox, they can become over faced.

Grapes- please cut these in half, lengthwise for safety.

NUT FREE SCHOOL! At The Mead we are a nut free school. There are several children with nut allergies in Nursery. It is of uttermost importance that lunchboxes contain no nuts. This also includes foods that contain sesame seeds such as hummus or crackers with seeds.

Uniform

The nursery children look very smart in their new school uniform!

- Skirts and dresses are not part of our school uniform as they can be dangerous when climbing.
- Please make sure that your child wears shoes safe to climbing- trainers or plimsolls are perfect (only Velcro please!)
- Please also remember no jewellery is allowed as part of our school uniform policy. This includes earrings.
- Please name everything!

Request!

We have enjoyed junk modelling and will be adding this to our continuous provision- therefore we will always need lots of 'junk!. Boxes, bottle tops, plastic containers, etc Please make sure none of the packaging has contained nuts!



UNIFORM

All children are required to wear our nursery uniform. Children can dress in the uniform listed in which they feel most comfortable.

Uniform Details

- Royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo
- Dark grey tracksuit bottoms or dark grey leggings
- White t-shirt (with or without logo)
- Dark grey or royal blue shorts (for summer)
- Shoes/trainers without laces (we suggest Velcro trainers)
- Book bag with school logo



Optional Accessories

- Royal blue reversible fleece/waterproof jacket with school logo
- Royal blue sun hat with school logo
- Royal blue winter hat with school logo



Please note that children should not wear any jewellery to nursery.

All clothing and bags should be clearly labelled with your child's name.