

NURSERY



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Coming up week beginning 20.3.23

Entering Nursery in the morning

Please be patient on the door in the mornings and afternoons.

In the mornings we need to ensure the children enter safely. Please stand with your child until it is their turn to come inside.

At the end of the day, we will make sure we have made eye contact with you, and that your child has found you before letting the next child out.

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Theme for the Term: Once upon a time

The focus this half term will focus on traditional tales. We are going to delve further into the storylines and the characters, introducing stories with longer storylines.

Theme for the week: Handa's Surprise

Literacy



Over the next two weeks we will be getting to know the story of Handa's Surprise really well. We will delve into the 'who' and 'where' of the story, examining the characters and settings to support our comprehension. We will tell the story over and over, using small world resources, story CDs, and the Reading wall. This week we will make our own story maps to show our understanding of the story to help us retell it verbally.

Literacy

We will tell the story of Handa's Surprise in two halves, making lots of predictions about what might happen once all of the fruit has disappeared out of Handa's basket. (if you would like to share this story with your child, please wait until Tuesday so we can do lots of predicting first!)

We will also be working really hard on writing our names/ the first letters of our names/ making pre writing patterns- depending on what your child is working on.

Maths

We will be working on subitising again this week playing our favourite game 'Ten Nice Things'. Ask your child to show you how to play!

Phonics

The sound we are focusing on is 'b'. We will explore lots of words that start with 'h' though hearing the sound 'h' 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.

Physical Development

We will spend the week working on throwing catching big balls.

Signs of spring pictures

Thank you to everyone who has sent pictures of spring! Please feel free to continue to do this.

Blossom and daffodils are starting to bud and the children have been really excited about the first signs of spring. If you see any signs of spring with your child, feel free to send a photo in of what you found.

Wellie Wednesday

We will be taking our art resources to the field this week, recoding the signs of spring through drawing and painting. We will also all have a go at taking a photo of what we find.

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.

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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.

