

NURSERY



Coming up week beginning 8.1.24

Starting school in September

Please see email regarding school applications for September

If your child was born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020, you will need to apply for a school place by **15th January 2024.**

Wellies and waterproofs need to be back in school for Wellie Wednesday please!

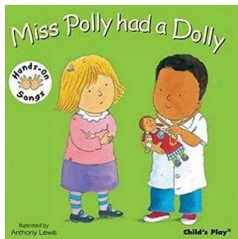
Theme for the Term: People who help us

The focus this half term will focus on 'People who help us'. We will start off by exploring what we already know about occupations and then delve into a few occupations, learning new words, understanding the roles people have, and how they help us. This week we will brainstorm what we already know.

PSE

This week we are very excited to welcome some new children into Nursery. We will spend the week getting to know them and showing them how to be kind friends.

Understanding the World

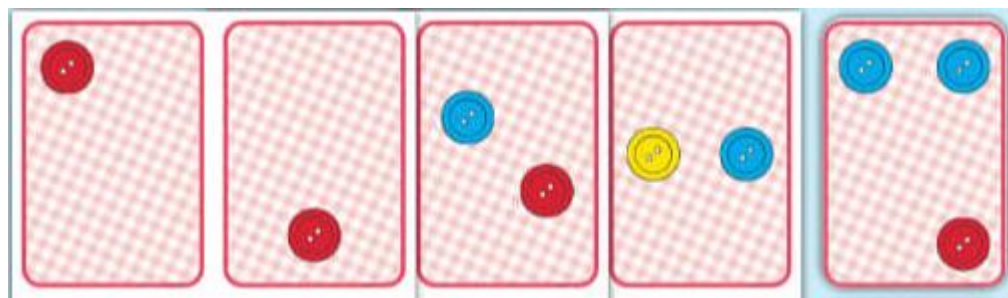


We will be exploring the occupation of doctors and Nurses this week. Our baby is going to be poorly, so a doctor is coming to help us make her feel better. If there are any doctors or nurses willing to come in for a quick visit we would be really pleased!

Here is a link to the song and words- <https://wordsforlife.org.uk/activities/miss-polly-had-dolly-nursery-rhyme-lyrics/>

Maths

This week we will focus on subitising. Subitising how we can recognise a number of items without actually counting. We will use our 'magic eyes' to see the number of items without counting. We will use questions such as what do you see and how do you see it- encouraging the children to tell us rather than count. Often the first stage of this is using fingers to show you how many before they say the number.



Deaf awareness week

Mrs Temko will be visiting us to help us understand even better how to communicate to our deaf friends this week.

Helicopter stories

We will continue to scribe the children's stories they are telling through play. At the end of the week we will try performing the stories with our friends.

Request!

We have started to enjoy junk modelling and will be adding this to our continuous provision- therefore we will always need lots of 'junk'!. Boxes, lots of bottle tops, plastic containers, etc

Please make sure none of the packaging has contained nuts!

Also, if anyone is able to source paper of any kind we would love donations!

Request for spare clothes

If you have any clothes that your child has grown out of, we would be grateful of donations!

Cutlery

If your child eats lunch at school, please remember to supply cutlery for them to use.

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 (when needed)
- Clearly named sun hat (when needed)

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 in Nursery all day 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. Please name your child's lunch box on the outside of the lunchbox so it is easily visible.

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.

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!

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.