



NURSERY

Coming up next week 10/5/21

This week is 'Mental Health week' and the theme is 'Connect with nature'. Story time will be held every day outside, in the rain or shine, to enable us to enjoy the outdoors a little more and to connect with nature.

Learning in school:

Topic: Watch me grow...

This week we have been busy planting broad beans. We will be watering these and watching them grow over the next few weeks.

Jack and the Beanstalk

Something interesting has grown in our home corner over the weekend and we also found some magic beans around the learning environment too. We will spend some time exploring what might have happened and then seeing what the children know about the story 'Jack and the Beanstalk' We will read the story of Jack and the Beanstalk and spend time exploring this in our play.

Beanstalks

This week we will have a challenge- who can make the tallest beanstalk? The children will be able to use anything they want in the learning environment to make their beanstalk. This will lead into lots of language associated with measuring, comparing and height.

Phonics

This week we will introduce 'toy talk'. Our toy will only be able to speak using 'sound talk'. We will ask the toy lots of questions but he will only be able to answer in 'sound talk'. For example, we might ask him 'What will you have for lunch?' The toy will answer 'f-i-sh' and we will then listen carefully and blend the sounds together to make 'fish'

<u>Keeping safe</u>

We will focus a lot of our time on remembering how to keep safe in the classroom and outside. We will revisit how to wash our hands with the well know Peppa Pig song! We will remind children of how to catch our germs with a tissue and 'catch it, kill it, bin it'. We will ventilate the classrooms all day and spend as much time as possible outside, so please make sure your child has appropriate clothing, and maybe even remember how take off, and put on their coats!

Home learning (for children self-isolating):

- Listen to the story 'Jack and the Beanstalk' here https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/p08lc99s/mr-tumble-tales-jack-and-thebeanstalk?seriesId=p07ctlvv
- Can you make a tall beanstalk? Think about how you could make it tall. Could you use some paper or cardboard? Maybe you could use building blocks? Or maybe playdough? How tall is your beanstalk? How could you measure it? (Non standard units are used at this stage, such as pens, cubes, handprints, etc

Additional notes and reminders

Library- Please keep your child's library book in their bag so they are ready to change their books. Books are only changed on specific library days.

Milk- The children have really enjoyed having the option of milk as a drink at snack time. <u>Please let us know if your child can not have milk.</u>

We would also love any photos of any celebrations unique to your family or anything that represents or is part of your culture.

Please ensure all gloves, hats and scarves are named and please remember the children are not allowed to wear jewellery at school.

Class email addresses:

Rockhopper Penguins <u>amnursery@mead.surrey.sch.uk</u> Emperor Penguins <u>30pmnursery@mead.surrey.sch.uk</u> Please note that as the week progresses it is sometimes necessary to change what is planned to meet the learning needs of the children and therefore changes to the above may occur.