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Coming up week beginning 10/10/22

Diwali- If you will be celebrating Diwali, please let Mrs Pioli know. We would love to arrange a Diwali day on Thursday 20th October and would like some help...

Autumn- the weather has turned and it's exciting to see conkers and acorns on the floor. Please bring anything interesting in that you find on your walks for our Autumn table!

Theme for the Term: All About Me!

We have been having a wonderful time getting to know all of the children. Our topic this half term is 'All About Me'. We are beginning to play lots of games to learn everybody's names, playing games to help our listening and sharing skills

Thank you for sending a picture of your child and their family and your house- it is not too late to do this if you have not done this yet.

RE and Understanding the World



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c9NhwpaIMpo>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eabN4NrEMzI>

Over the next two weeks we will be celebrating Black History Month. We will focus on these two stories to start conversations about how we are all unique and special.

We will also spend some time thinking about how else we are unique and special. This will lead onto looking at other ways that we are unique such as wearing glasses, having long hair or short hair. Mrs Temko will also visit us and help us understand how we can be more aware of how to communicate with our deaf friends.

Physical development

We have really enjoyed peddling our trikes this week. Peddling a trike is a really important skill for your child to develop and a very popular activity in Nursery!

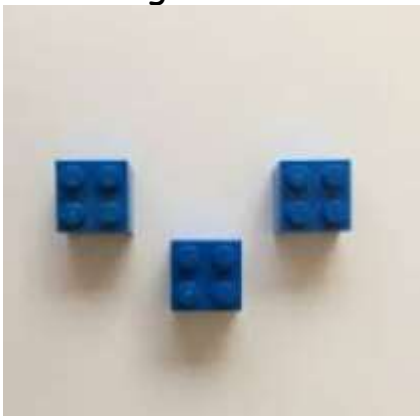
Music

Continuing our Black History Month focus we will be exploring some African music through exploring some drums called djembes and moving and singing to a song called Tom- bah -ee -lero.

Maths

In our continuous provision we will continue to explore a game called 3 or not 3 to extend our subitising focus .

This may be a new concept! Rather than counting the number of objects, we will learn to talk about what we can see. We might see three in the picture below, or we might see a two and a one.



Feeling at home

We would love to make our home corner and classroom environment more familiar to the children by having a larger range of items around us to make the children feel more at home in the range of languages that reflect our class. Please let us know about resources we could look out for or if you could supply anything!

- If you have any books or magazines in home languages.

- Cookery books for your home cuisine.
- Any cooking utensils that you use at home that we do not have already- eg. Wok, Balti dish, tagine, etc.
- Material to use for dressing up etc...
- Food packaging (empty!)
- Music from your culture that is familiar to your child.
- Your child's name printed out in their home language if written differently to English.
- Anything else you can suggest that would reflect your home culture.

Thank you for helping!

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.

If your child needs cutlery, please supply this- we do not have a supply in Nursery.

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.