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Coming up week beginning 17/10/22

**Please ensure you have booked your Parents' Evening appointments for Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October and Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October.**

**Nursery Request- Do we have any handy parents who would be able to volunteer to put together some flat pack furniture for our new role-play and outside areas? Please let us know if you are able to help! Thanks in advance.**

**School photos- these will take place on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> October- please ensure your child has the correct uniform on these days.**

**Diwali- If you will be celebrating Diwali, please let Mrs Pioli know- it's not too late! We would love to arrange a Diwali day on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> 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!**

## **Wellie Wednesday!**

From now on, we will be spending some time on the field every Wednesday. This week we found leaves for our poem of the week 'Leaves are falling'. Wellie Wednesday will happen every Wednesday, come rain or shine! Please ensure your child has a pair of wellies and waterproof trousers that live at school. Please see Mrs Pioli if you need help with this.

### **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

### **RE and Understanding the World**

We will celebrate Diwali on Thursday. Rangoli patters with coloured rice, diva lamps and dancing are some of the activities we will explore. This will give opportunities for the children to think about and make connections between our families and other families.

### **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!

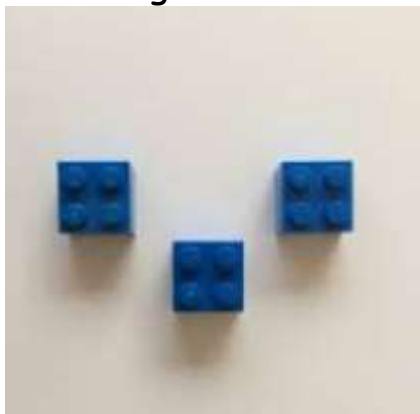
### **Music**

We enjoyed this so much that we will continue our Black History Month focus through 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.



### **Phonics**

Matching sound makers and hearing the similarities and differences between the musical instruments will help the children tune in their listening skills and sound discrimination ready for hearing and playing with sounds in words.

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. 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!

## 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.