

NURSERY



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Coming up week beginning 15.6.26

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Junk modelling- we are very low on junk at the moment and it is very popular!

Please don't throw your recycling away- we need 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!



Yogurt lids

Reception classes- only children moving up to reception in September 2026

We realise you will be eagerly waiting to find out more information about which class your child will be in. You will receive this information just before move up day on 30th June.

Part time Rockhoppers

After half term we will be starting to think about our transition into Reception. To help with this we would like to start to have a packed lunch every Friday at school from 11.15-12 before the children go home. Please pack a small lunch for your child- see notes below about lunchboxes. Please name lunch boxes on the **outside**. Obviously not everyone will be moving to Reception, but we'd love for everyone to join in with lunch.

Hot weather

Please ensure your child has a sun hat and a water bottle. Sunscreen should be applied before school- the longer lasting suncream might be a good idea for children here all day. Please do not put suncream in your child's bag for safety reasons.

Poetry basket show

The children are very excited to do a little show of their poetry basket poems and songs they have learnt over the year- they have quite a repertoire! This will be on Thursday 9th July for both Rockhoppers and Emperor Penguins. Timings to follow.

Spare clothes- any spare school uniform and especially underwear would be very welcome!

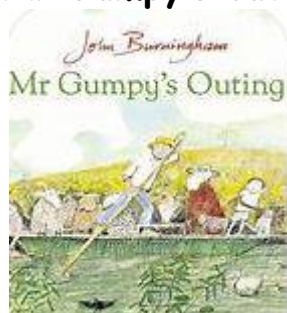
Theme for the Term: We're going on an adventure!

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Our focus this half term will be on exploring. Initially this we will explore different places that are different to where we will such as the forest, rivers or the seaside. This will then develop into a few weeks on transitioning into Reception for those children who are moving on.

Theme for the week:

Mr Gumpy's outing



We will be working on prediction this week- please don't read this story with your child until Wednesday!

Literacy, Understanding the world, Maths and Music

For the next two weeks we will explore the story of Mr Gumpy's outing. We will start by examining the front cover and brainstorming everything we know about the story. We will then read up until to the point where the boat gets very full and make our predictions about what might happen. This will continue into the next day where we will finish the story and find out what really happens!

Understanding the world

Near and far

We will also be exploring our photos of near and far this week. The focus will be what is different to where we live. We are looking forward to the children telling us all about their photos you have sent in- thank you!

PSHE- We will continue to have a focus on looking after our resources and following rules as we transition back into Nursery after half term.

Online safety

We will revisit online safety with the children. We will play some games and explore some scenarios where the children must decide if they should be happy or worried when playing online and then decide what to do.

For example- "A game asks you to press a button, but you don't know what it does."

How should I feel? "Worried"

What should I do? "Ask a grown up first"

Key message- Ask a grown-up before using a screen and tell a grown-up if something feels wrong.

Physical Development- Gross motor

This half term we will work on our agility and fitness skills. This will involve moving in different ways, working on control, speed and coordination.

Physical Development- Fine motor

This half term we will continue to work on our fine motor control ready for writing. This will involve using scissors correctly and finger and hand control.

Name writing

We will have a focus on name writing this half term.

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.

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!

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.

