



# **NURSERY**

## Coming up next week beginning 16.5.22

Another exciting week in Nursery! The ducklings are keeping us entertained and we have spent lots of time finding out what animals do and don not come from eggs!

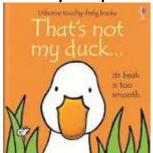
## Theme for the Term: Ee-i-ee-i-o!

This half term is all about growing. We will explore all sorts of growing including animals and plants. Hopefully with the weather being a little warmer it's a lovely time to explore nature and the world around us with as much hands on experience as possible.

#### **PSHE**

The main focus in PSHE this week will be about learning to look after living things- we will be handling and bathing the ducklings which will involve a lot of being gentle and quiet-understanding that we need to adapt our behaviour for others.

## Literacy/ Expressive arts and design



Our book this week will be 'That's not my Duck.... Though watching and holding the ducklings we will learn new words to describe them and use these to make our own book called 'That's not my Duckling!'

#### Understanding the World

We are learning all about ducklings by using non-fiction books this week. Our book this week, That's not my Duck!' will introduce lots of adjectives to describe the duck in the book. This will lead into creating our own list of words to describe our ducklings, what they look like and how they move when walking and swimming in the water.

#### **Phonics**

We have spent this week talking in 'toy talk' and will use this new skill to play 'I spy CVC words'. The children will play I spy but will have to blend the word being said to work out the object being spied.

Please be careful to only use soft sounds when playing with sounds at home... see the link below.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ksblMiliA8

#### Music

We will spend the week listening to Swan Lake by Tchaikovsky and 'The Duck' ' by Prokofiev. We will move and dance to these pieces and also create our 'That's not my Duckling' pictures while listening to the music too.

#### Maths

We will be looking at different sized eggs and continue to explore language associated with size- we will put these eggs in size order and consider what type of eggs these are. While learning our Poetry basket song, five little ducks, we will be matching the numerals with the number of ducks, and also draw pictures/ marks to record the number of ducks.

## Poetry Basket

Five little Ducks

Five Little ducks went swimming one day

Over the hills and far away

One little duck said quack quack quack

And only four little ducks came back....

#### Goldilocks words

Bill, tail, feathers, webbed feet, waddling, quack

## Sunny weather

Our outside area is very sunny!

- Please ensure your child has sun cream on before they come into Nursery on days that are going to be sunny.
- Please bring a hat for your child to wear when it is sunny.
- Please make sure your child's jumper is big enough for them to be able to take it off on their own! (They do shrink and the age 4-5 jumpers still seem small on some children!)

## Home learning in case of isolation

The link below will take to the spring home learning page.

Please see the school website for more information.

## Is my child too ill for school?

Please see link below.

https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/

## **Birthdays**

We love to celebrate everyone's birthday at The Mead. If you would like to mark the occasion with your child, we suggest buying a book to give to the class as a present is a fun way of doing this. Here is a link for books we love.

https://www.booksfortopics.com/preschool

We are a healthy school and therefore sweets and treats are not appropriate please.

#### Attendance

Please report any absences to the attendance email address:-attendance@mead.surrey.sch.uk

#### Reminders

## Library

Monday- red group
Tuesday- blue group
Wednesday- green group (Emperors only)
Thursday- yellow group
Friday- orange group (Emperors only)

#### Uniform

The nursery children look very smart in their new school uniform.

- Just a reminder this year we have introduced compulsory uniform. This consists of grey tracksuit bottoms or leggings and The Mead sweatshirt and white t-shirt. In summer children are able to wear grey or royal blue shorts.
- 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 earnings.

#### Lunch boxes

Please remember that we are a nut free school so lunched must not include anything with nuts or that contain nuts at all. Please be careful to pack a lunchbox that is accessible for your child so that they can open packets themselves and that they are not over faced with

too much food. Please cut grapes in half (long ways) so that they are safe for your child to eat without it being a choking hazard. Please remember to pack balanced, healthy lunch for your child.
Please can we also remind you to label everything including lunch boxes. Thank you
Please note that as the week progresses it is sometimes necessary to change what is planned to meet the learning needs and interests of the children and therefore changes to the above may occur.
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