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## Coming up week beginning 5/12/22

### Applying for School Places

Please note that there is no automatic transfer from Nursery to Reception and you will need to apply for a school place for your child for September 2023. The deadline for submitting your application is **15<sup>th</sup> January 2023** and applications are submitted through your local council. Further information including how to apply can be found at [surreycc.gov.uk/admissions](http://surreycc.gov.uk/admissions).

### Christmas Show

We are really looking forward to presenting our Christmas shows next week. Your tickets should have been in your child's book bag on Friday. If your child has been absent this week, we will put your tickets in their book bag on Monday.

As the Parent Mail stated, please send your child into school on Tuesday (Rockhoppers) or Wednesday (Emperors) with a Christmas jumper on.

### Christmas Jumper day

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December is Christmas jumper day.  
(Rockhoppers will already be wearing their Christmas jumpers!)

### Christmas Party

Nursery will be having a Christmas party on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December. Please send your child in wearing party clothes.

If you missed the 'Early Literacy' workshop on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November, please find it on the website- there is lots of useful information about what happens before reading and writing.

### Theme for the Term: Celebrations!

We have many events to celebrate this term once we have finished with the excitement of dark and light! Please send in a picture of your child on their last birthday so we can talk about how they celebrate their birthday at home. If there is anything you would like us to know that is different or special to you as a family about your birthday celebrations, please add this with the photo on email or paper.

### Expressive Arts and Design

We will be doing lots of rehearsals for our Christmas shows on the 6<sup>th</sup> December (Rockhoppers) and 7<sup>th</sup> December (Emperors).

## Phonics

We will be more focused in **hearing the sounds in words** - starting with initial sounds and blending sounds together to make words. Our sounds to hear at the beginning of words is 'p' this week.

## Maths

At the playdough table we will focus on counting the number of candles on Bob Bear's birthday cake. We will also be practicing showing 'finger numbers' with the children as this is an important stage of the subitising concept.



**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.