

NURSERY



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Coming up week beginning 22.4.24

Top tip- Phonics

Please be careful when talking about sounds to your children. We do not use letter names yet. It is important that when saying the sounds, eg. C for cat that you use soft sounds and not hard sounds. Please see link for how to say each sound accurately. A lot of the children are using hard sounds and letter names which is confusing them.

[Resource bank for teachers and parents - Jolly Phonics \(jollylearning.co.uk\)](http://jollylearning.co.uk)

Nursery Library

The Nursery library will be opening on 22nd April. This will be open at pick up time for you to choose a book with your child each week.

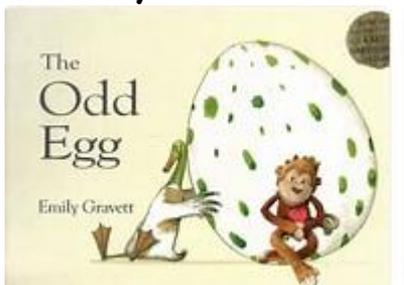
There will be a signing in/out sheet for you to fill in so we can keep track of which books are being loaned.

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

The focus this half term will focus on investigating things that grow and change, caring and respecting living things and exploring life cycles of plants and animals.

Theme for the week: The Odd Egg

Literacy and Understanding the World



We will continue to explore what might be inside the egg in this story by brainstorming what we know about eggs.

TOP SECRET- we will be getting a special delivery this week... watch this space!

We will continue make observations about the sunflowers and care for them.

Physical development

We will start exploring gymnastics this term- balancing, jumping and moving in different ways, learning how to control our bodies carefully when moving.

Maths

We will be focusing on matching numerals to quantity this week through playing games such as skittles and '10 Nice Things'.

Poetry basket

Seashells

I'm picking up the seashells,
That the ocean left behind.
Cream and green and pink and blue,
It's amazing what you'll find

Wellie Wednesday

We will be taking our art resources to the field this week, recoding the signs of spring through drawing and painting.

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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.