

Nursery

Spring 1st half term



In this newsletter you will find information about the learning theme for this half term.
We are looking forward to another fantastic few weeks with lots of learning!

Early Years staff

Mrs McIlwaine- Reception Class Teacher
Miss Kippax – Nursery Class Teacher
Mrs Islam- Teaching Assistant
Miss Ibrahim – Teaching Assistant

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Happy, healthy me!

We will be sharing lots stories in Nursery this half term.
Each week we will have a 'special book of the week'.
We will act out and re-tell these with our friends, using our imaginations in our cosy reading area.

Week 1: Funny bones

Week 2: Titch

Week 3: Handa's Surprise

Week 4: Oliver's Vegetables

Week 5: Germs are not for sharing

Week 6: Senses

Reading

Reading is such an important part of learning that we strongly encourage sharing books at home.

5 minutes a day can make a big difference.

Within school we read daily and children have continuous access to books and reading materials.

In Nursery we will start to apply phonics through introducing phonemic awareness by listening to the initial sounds in words.

Within school we read and share books daily as a class. We also have themed reading areas where children can choose to sit and enjoy sharing books alone or with friends or teachers.

This term we are carrying on with Nursery book time, on Wednesdays at 11:45, which is a chance for you to choose a book with your child to take home and read through the week.

Maths

In maths we are starting by exploring the numbers 1,2,3 and how to represent these numbers.

We will then explore circles and triangles.

This term we will also be looking at using and understanding positional language.

Towards the end of the term we will be exploring the numbers 4 and 5.

Physical development

Nursery will be working on their gross motor skills by practising running, climbing, sliding and using the bikes.

We will also be developing their gross motor skills by using streamers to make different movements in time to the music. (Flipper Flappers)

To help our fine motor skills Nursery will be colouring, tracking, drawing and playing with the play dough.

Useful Websites:

We use lots of different learning resources and websites in school.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zcqqtftr>

www.ictgames.co.uk

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?Subject=37>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/nursery-rhymes-a-to-z-index/z4ddgwx>

Homework

our child has some 'Homework Challenges' to complete. Please take time to try some at home together (but don't do it for them...we'd like to see the children's drawing and writing).

Return all completed homework by Friday 9th February

Other Reminders:

Coats – Please ensure that your child brings their coat every day and their name is inside.

Labels – Please ensure that all clothes have names inside.

Water bottles- should be labelled and brought in daily.

Library books – Please bring your library book every Wednesday.