Nursery Newsletter

Autumn Term 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school. We hope you and your child have managed to have a nice rest over half term.

This half term we will be exploring 'people who help us.' We will be exploring different job roles and discovering how these occupations can help us in our communities. We will also explore different celebrations and celebrate the different cultures in our class.









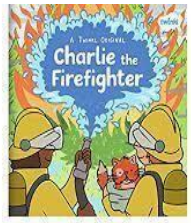
Thank you for your continued support with your child's learning. If you have any questions please speak to a member of the Nursery Team.

Thank you,

Mrs Cunningham

As part of our **My Happy Mind** Topic last half term we focused on resilience. We discussed what we find difficult and what we can do to help ourselves achieve that we struggle with. The children have had daily practise on doing certain things which can make them more independent in the classroom and at home. Every child has had a focus on putting on their coat by themselves, trying to zip up our coats, putting our shoes on and off independently and attempting to use a knife and fork at dinner times. Please continue to develop these skills at home by encouraging your child to practise these skills independently.

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Topic

People who help us

This half term our topic is 'People who help us.'

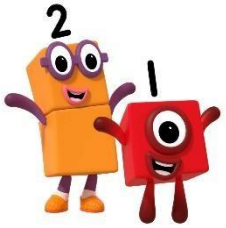
During this topic we will look into different job roles. We will have a specific focus into fire fighters, doctors, nurses and the police. We will talk about how these occupations help us within our communities and why they are important.

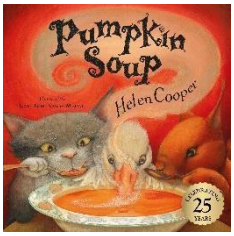
The children will also explore the question 'what makes a good friend?' we will encourage the children to talk about their own experiences by discussing how they are a good friend and what we can do to ensure we are being kind to our peers.

Mathematics

This term in nursery we will be investigating the number 1 and 2. We will be looking at the different ways we can represent these numbers, the different combinations we can make and to count 1 and 2 objects.

The children will have the opportunity to join in with a variety of maths activities which will either be whole class or in small groups. Children will be able to access different maths activities in the different areas of provision.





Communication & Language / English

This half term we will reading lots of different stories as well as having a focus on Nursery Rhymes.

The children will take part in Nursery Rhyme week where the children will learn and perform 5 different nursery rhymes. The Nursery Rhymes we will be learning are: **Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star, Old MacDonald, The Big Ship Sails, Incy Wincy Spider and 5 Currant Buns**. We will learn each Nursery Rhyme and the children will have the opportunity to perform a Nursery Rhyme of their choice for their peers. Every child will receive a certificate for taking part in Nursery Rhyme Week.

Each week the children will engage with different activities based around different book that they have read in their English session. They will also listen to different stories throughout story time. Children will begin to express which stories they like and talk about what stories they have read. We will focus on books based around our topic 'People Who Help Us' as well as books linked to Seasons and Christmas.

Children will continue to mark make and will begin to give meanings to their marks by explaining what they have drew. Children will begin to explore what different letters look like and have a go at creating their own marks to represent letters.



Please make sure that your child has spare clothes in school. If you bring in spare clothes, please make sure they are clearly labelled with your child's name. Spare clothes will be stored in your child's locker and will be sent home when needed.

For spare clothes your child will need:
Spare tops, spare bottoms (pants/skirts), spare socks/tights and spare underwear. Please make sure **everything is labelled with your child's name.** If possible, it would also be useful to have a pair of wellington boots in their locker for colder and wetter days in Nursery (as we go out in all weather!). As it gets colder we will also ask for hat, scarfs and gloves to come into school.

Just a reminder that spare clothes are not just for toilet accidents. In Nursery we go out in all weathers and we learn through play. Children are encouraged to gain experiences through a range of activities. Children have access to water, sand, paint and a variety of other resources which can leave their clothes wet and/or 'messy'. We encourage children to wear our school waterproofs and aprons however, children can sometimes need a change of clothes!

Home Reading

During the first week back, your child will be sent home with a nursery rhyme/number song pack. These packs are to encourage learning around Nursery Rhymes and Number Songs. Each pack contains the words to the song/nursery rhyme, props and instructions. Use the packs with your children and encourage them to sing the songs using the props. These will be changed weekly alongside your library books. We will change Nursery Rhyme/Number Song packs on a Wednesday and library books will be changed on a Thursday.

Please continue to read with your child at least 3 times a week. This can be your child's books/packs from school or a book from home. When reading with your child please talk to them about what they have read or what they can see. Please record that your child has read in their reading diary. Please continue to bring your books and packs into school everyday.