



# Nursery Newsletter

## Spring Term 1



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back, we hope you have had a lovely Christmas break. Last term we had lots of fun and learnt lots of new things. We explored all the different people who help us, took part in nursery rhyme week, joined in with lots of children in need activities and created lots of our own Christmas crafts! The children also took part in our Christmas production and they did amazing!

This half term we will discover how rainbows are made and where they come from, the different ways we can represent 3 and 4 and the different weather we can experience in Middleton. We will continue to explore different celebrations this half term, starting with Chinese New Year.

Please make sure you are reading with your child at home at least 3 times a week. This can be their reading book or a book that you have at home. Please record that you have read in your child's reading diary. Please ensure your child's reading book and book bag are in school every week so books can be changed. If you have any questions regarding reading books please speak to a member of the Early Years team.



### Topic

#### Where do rainbows come from?



This half term our topic is 'where do rainbows come from?' During this topic we will look closely at the artist Wassily Kandinsky. We will explore the different pieces of art work that he created and the children will have a go at creating their own piece of art work in the style of Kandinsky. We will learn the colours of the rainbow and take part in a variety of colour mixing investigations.

We will look at the different types of weather we see in Middleton and children will be able to talk about their own experiences of weather. We will read lots of books based around weather and talk each day about how the weather is outside.

### Mathematics

Last term we looked into the numbers 1 and 2. This half term we will look closely at the numbers 3 and 4. We will look at how these numbers look, how we can represent these numbers and the different combinations we can make using these numbers.

### Communication & Language / English

This half term we will be reading lots of different stories as well as having a focus on Nursery Rhymes. Each week we will have a story of the week and these books will link to our topic 'where do rainbows come from.' Children will take part in activities based around our stories. We will encourage them to join in with well known repeated phrases in stories and nursery rhymes that we have sang in class.

Some of the stories we will be reading this half term are:

Kipper's Snowy Day, The Magic Paintbrush, Wow! Said the owl, Elmer and the 3 Billy Goats Gruff. Our stories will link to a topic that we are learning about.

As the weather is still cold and wet, please continue to send in spare clothes. Especially socks! Please make sure all clothes are clearly labelled.



ONLINE LEARNING JOURNAL We still have a few parents/carers who are not yet on tapestry or class dojo. Please let a member of staff know if you require support with this. Please



We share lots of our learning on our social media sites. Please ensure that your child's consent forms are up to date at the office so we can share your child's learning.

Website: [www.boarshawprimary.co.uk](http://www.boarshawprimary.co.uk)

Facebook- Boarshaw Primary School

Twitter- @BoarshawP

<p>continue to send in pictures of your child experiencing different things such as cooking, riding a bike or something they have done for the first time! Any achievements and celebrations that are sent in will be shared with the class.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Useful websites</b></p> <p>Please find below a list of useful websites for you to explore with your child.</p> <p><a href="http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk">www.phonicsplay.co.uk</a> - free games from the phase 2 section.</p> <p><a href="http://www.topmarks.co.uk">www.topmarks.co.uk</a> - use the early years section to explore different areas of learning.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Spring 1 Vocabulary -</p> <p style="text-align: center;">colour, mixing, art, paint, pastels, chalk, weather, climate, temperature, hot, warm, cold, freezing, tornado, hurricane, blizzard, clouds, fog, ice, thunder, lightning, local area, country</p>