



### Events & Celebrations

In the next month **Nursery** plan to make our second trip to **Victoria Park** to look at the local environment in **Winter**.



We will all be celebrating **Chinese New Year** in the EYFS on **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January**.



**Phonics workshop for Reception parents on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January, 9am in the library** Find out more about how we teach phonics and how you can support your child's learning.

### Applications for September Nursery and Reception places

Please don't forget to apply in time if you would like a Nursery or Reception place for your child in September.

**The deadline for Nursery places is 16<sup>th</sup> February 2025.**

### Coffee Morning with Gemma

Next Monday morning (**20<sup>th</sup> January**) at **9am** our headteacher, Gemma Anidi, will be hosting a coffee morning for parents to mark her return to school following her maternity leave. She would be delighted to see as many parents of children in the EYFS as are able to attend.

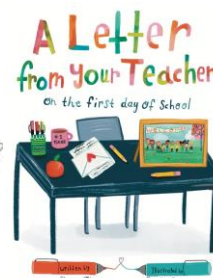
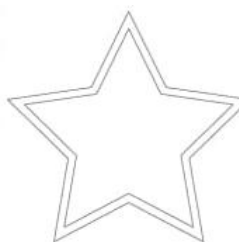
### Half Term

The Half Term holiday will be **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February**.

### This Week in the EYFS

It was another three day week in the EYFs, due to the heating and water issues throughout the school. Thank you for your patience and understanding while the issue was resolved. Despite this, we have welcomed three more new children and their families to Nursery this week. They have made a very positive start to their time in Sun Class.

In Nursery our word of the week has been **resolutions** as we have been completing our Sun Class and individual **New Year resolutions** and writing them on stars. We have also been playing games to learn the names of our nine new class members.



Our Reception classes have been continuing their exploration of **traditional tales** for their topic. They have been identifying a range of stories from this genre and will be voting on which tale they would most like to study in more depth.

In phonics, the children have been learning the letter-sound correspondence for **Qu**. They have also been reading and writing the 'tricky words': **he, she, be, by** and **my**. In mathematics, they have been enjoying songs which include counting back from 5-0. **Reception parents are most welcome at the phonics workshop on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January, 9am in the library**, to find out more about how we teach phonics and how you can support your child's learning.

### Book Bags & Changing Bags

**Changing bags & book bags should be brought to school every day!**

*Although we do have spare clothes it is a challenge for staff to find items from our stock which fit particular individuals on demand, and children are a lot happier to put on clothing which they recognise as belonging to them.*

### Clothing, Water Bottles & Lost Property

If you are planning to order some new school uniform for your child from MyClothing <https://myclothing.com/> you can use this code for a 10% discount. **Code = UNIFORM10% Expires = 31/03/2025** Please also remember we have lots of pre-loved uniform in the room near the office for bargain prices, or free if you need it.

As the weather has turned a lot colder it is important that children are brought to school in appropriate clothing for the season. This should include a warm coat and footwear.

If children bring gloves and hats to school please advise them to put them in their pockets or sleeves and/or label them.

In the Early Years children always have access to the outdoor environment of our garden, unless the weather or ground conditions are dangerous.

Children should continue to bring a **water bottle** into school every day.