



NURSERY NEWSLETTER

We hope that these letters will keep you informed of all that is happening in Nursery.

THEME

Our current topic for the first half of the summer term is called 'Our Superheroes'. This involves us looking at various people that help us at home, at school and other jobs that help in

the local community. The books we will be looking at are

Week 1 – What will we do without Mrs Mac

Week 2 – Fireman Piggy Wiggy and Forgetful Fireman

Week 3 – Non-fiction books about the police.

Week 4 – Topsy and Tim visit the doctor/hospital

Week 5 – Bob the Builder stories

Week 6 – Supertato – children will be dressing up as a super hero this week

Nursery Staff

Mrs Naik is the class teacher and our wonderful assistants are Mrs Reddy and Mrs Okeowe who are always there to help.

Mrs Slater & Mrs Lambat help us with speech and language sessions in nursery.

Communication and Language

The children will begin to understand 'why' and 'how' questions and talk about why things happen and give explanations. They will be encouraged to use more complex sentences to link thoughts together. Children will be

encouraged to listen to others when they are talking in small and large groups.

Personal, social and emotional development

The children will be encouraged to share their experiences with others and make new friendships. They will be made aware of others feelings and know that some actions and words can hurt others feelings.

Physical development

This half term we will move onto gymnastic work. Children will be encouraged to balance on various equipment and jump off boxes of differing heights. Mrs Howard will be taking us for gymnastics on Thursdays. There will also still be a great focus on children holding their writing equipment correctly using the tripod grip.

Literacy

In this topic we will be looking at a lot of non-fiction books and encouraging the children to look at pictures to relay information. There will also be a lot more focus on children doing their own writing, encouraging them to have letters such as s, a, t, p, i and n (the letters that we will be focusing on in phonics) when they are making marks. There will still be lots of name writing opportunities. At parents evening you were given a sheet relating to forming letters and how we help children to form the letters correctly. Please use this sheet as we will be using it as nursery, so your child will be familiar with it. If you have misplaced the sheet please ask a member of staff for another one.

Mathematics

We will encourage lots of counting during the children's play. We will start looking at number problems and how they could be solved. We will encourage to begin to match the numeral correctly to the number of objects they have. There will be lots of opportunities for children to look at similarities of shapes in the environment and begin to talk about shapes of everyday objects. We will introduce the positional language of over, on, under and behind. There will also be lots of pattern work, and children will be encouraged to follow and make ABAB patterns.

Understanding the world

There will be a greater emphasis on this area of the curriculum. We will start by looking at people who are familiar to them and talk about special events and how they help them. There will then be a focus of people that help in the community, such as the police, firefighters, doctors, nurses and builders. We will have visits from some of the above occupations and go into detail of what their jobs entail.

Expressive arts and design

The children will be taught some new songs and will be encouraged to tap out a simple rhythm. During this topic there will be lots of opportunities for the children to role play the different occupations that we will look at. Our role play has become a doctor's surgery and children will be encouraged to act out being the receptionist, patient, doctor, and nurse. If you visit the doctors with your child, please talk to them about what they see and pick up any leaflets that they may have for nursery.

LUNCHTIMES

A school dinner costs £1 a day and is to be paid in at the school office.

Afternoon children eat their packed lunches as soon as they come into nursery so, please do not give your child their lunch at home.

Please provide your child with a healthy packed lunch and no fizzy drinks or sweets please.

NURSERY FUND

Thank you to all the parents for contributing £1 a week towards nursery fund. Just a quick reminder that nursery fund is collected on a Monday. Thank you once again.

TOILET TRAINING

Please ensure that your child is toilet trained. If you are struggling with this, please come and speak to a member of our staff.