

Yarm Primary Nursery Summer NEWSLETTER 2023



Notices

During the middle of each session, the children take part in 'Snack Time' where we have a piece of fruit and a drink of water and/or milk to help address the children's physiological needs. Fruit is provided daily for your child.

Outdoor Learning

We go outside as much as possible; please ensure that your child wears appropriate clothing and footwear for this purpose. PLEASE NAME ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING.

Our school twitter account is <https://twitter.coPS>

Weekly Twitter blogs are available on our school website. Here you can see what the children have been learning and what they have been up to in Nursery!

Welcome Back

Welcome to the beginning of the Summer term!



This half term we will be learning all about Farms. The children will learn about all the jobs that farmers do and how important they are in our country. The children will learn about different animals on the farm. This will move on to learning about farm

animals and their babies. We will explore different animal life cycles from chicks to tadpoles. We will also be learning about the farm King Charles and Queen Camila tend to in Wales, as a route into learning about and celebrating the King's Coronation.



After half term, we will move on to our new topic of 'Mini-beasts' and 'Growing' where the children will learn about all sorts of bug related creatures and go on 'bug hunts'. They will learn about what grows in the garden and will have the opportunity to dig and plant seeds and bulbs.



If you have queries, questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mrs Willis



Half Term Monday 29th May

Children return to school on Monday 5th June

Nursery Trip to Newham Grange Farm TBC

Sports Day TBC

WHAT ARE WE LEARNING ABOUT?

COMMUNICATON, LANGUAGE AND LITERACY

We will continue to explore texts and illustrations, with a focus on characters, story structures, settings and predictions – encouraging the children to predict how the story might end. We will also be using non-fiction texts and learning the difference between fiction and non-fiction.

We will continue to work with the children on recognising the initial sound in their name, and forming some of the letters in their name. The children will continue to learn new sounds and rehearse saying them accurately.

We will also continue to develop listening skills and memory skills, which are vital skills for reading. In writing, we will continue to develop fine motor skills and correct pencil grip through 'Wiggle and Squiggle' and 'dough disco'.

We will be continuing to focus on speaking and listening skills, in particular the children's understanding of the books that we read. We will be encouraging the children to use their imagination and introduce a storyline into their play within our new role-play areas.

UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD

We will be learning about life cycles by introducing the children to eggs and chicks, but will also look at life cycles of other animals such as frogs and tadpoles etc. The children will be learning the names of baby animals and learning that not all baby animals look the same as their adults. We will also be looking at where animals live and will be studying farms. The children will learn how a farm works and what you can expect to see on a farm.

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

This term we will be continuing to focus on developing physical skills using the outdoor space. Now the weather is beginning to pick up a little, we will be reintroducing the mud kitchen and digging and planting areas. The children will also have the opportunities to use different sized balls to practise throwing, catching, kicking and rolling. We will be having fun with 'Squiggle and Wiggle' sessions to help develop our fine manipulative skills. There will be a focus on handwriting for the older children with an emphasis on pencil grip and control. We will also continue to work on gross movements through, 'Wiggle and Squiggle' and 'Cosmic Yoga'.

MATHMATICS

In Maths, the children will continue their work on counting with increasing accuracy to 10 and beyond. We will be working with the children on number recognition, and experimenting with different ways to represent numbers 1-5. The children will focus on a the number 5 this half term. This learning will be supported with Numicon and other practical equipment.

We will also continue to develop the children's knowledge of shape. Particularly identifying shapes in the environment and describing 2D shape properties. We will also be working on playing number games to introduce the concept of bigger numbers, number sequencing, adding on and counting back. This will also reinforce turn taking.

EXPRESSIVE ARTS

This term the children will be continuing to work on building models and learning how to fix and fasten materials together. They will be creating pictures with different media and learning how new colours can be created by mixing colours together. Following on from the fantastic 'Art' days the children have recently taken part in, we will be continuing to develop creativity through exploring different media. So please be prepared for the children to get messy!

PERSONAL, SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

To ensure our children feel safe, happy and ready to learn, we participate in daily discussions with the children around behaviour, personal needs, feelings, sharing, being kind and what being a good friend looks like. In RE the children will be learning about the Islam Faith and will be comparing Mosques to churches.

Nursery Staff

Class Teachers
Mrs Willis

Teaching Assistants
Mrs Powell (Mornings)
Miss Wright (Mornings)
Mrs MacArthur (Afternoons)

