

Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum Newsletter - Summer term one 2024

New Topics

Nursery - Watch me grow

This term in Nursery, we are going to be learning about all the important things we need to grow and to care for ourselves! For example, healthy eating and exercising. We are also going to be looking at animals and their life cycles and how they grow from when they are first born to adulthood.

Reception - In the past

This term in Reception, we are learning all about what happened in the past before we were born! We will be creating a timeline from present all the way back into the past when dinosaurs existed! We will look at a range of dinosaurs and the differences between herbivores, omnivores and carnivores and we will find out all about the environments that dinosaurs lived in.



Children in Nursery have been enjoying playing in our mud kitchen outside.

We do have a selection of waterproof clothing in school but if your child has their own all-in-one waterproof suit they would prefer to wear, please ensure it is named and it can be left in school.



If your child has their own wellies, these can also be left in school. Again, please ensure they are named.



Key dates for your diary:

Wednesday 24th April- Beep, beep day. On this day the children will be able to come to school on their bike or scooter. They will be stored here so we can learn all about road safety!

Monday 6th May- School closed for Bank Holiday

Friday 24th May- Break up for half term.

Tuesday 11th June- Attendance award event- Reception children who are invited to this will be given a slip to return

Thursday 20th June- Non uniform due to art day. Please ensure that children wear clothes that can get messy! We will be very creative on this day!

Friday 28th June- EYFS Picnic and sports afternoon.

Thursday 4th July- Gallery Day.

Wednesday 10th July- Reception trip to West Midlands Safari Park.

Friday 12th July- Nursery Graduation event.

Wednesday 17th July- Nursery trip to Brockwood Animal Sanctuary and nursery last day.

Thursday 18th/Friday 19th July- Nursery is closed.

Friday 19th July- Reception party day.

How you can help your child develop independence at home:

- Practise getting dressed, doing up zips and fastening buttons
- Practise using cutlery when eating
- Allow your child to help with some jobs around the house e.g. putting laundry into drawers, making breakfast
- Encourage them to tidy up after themselves e.g. put toys away after playing, put plate in kitchen
- Practise washing hands and cleaning teeth

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Hopefully the weather will be warming up within the coming weeks. We do encourage our children to go outdoors every day, in all weathers. Please make sure that your child is suitably dressed and on hot days, ensure they are wearing sun cream and have a sun hat in school.

We want to make sure our children are hydrated in warm weather. Children are currently provided with a carton of milk each day. Please send your child with a bottle of still squash or water which they can drink when needed.

Please ensure that all bottles are named.



Literacy

Nursery:

This term in Nursery, our main stories are '*The Enormous Turnip*' and '*Little Red Hen*'. We will be using Talk4Writing skills to rehearse stories, performing them out loud with actions and innovating the stories by adding in our own ideas.

Reception:

This term in Reception, our main stories are '*Harry and his Bucketful of Dinosaurs*' by Ian Whybrow and '*The Little Green Dinosaur*' by Pie Corbett. We will be using Talk4Writing skills to draw story maps, perform stories with actions and innovate stories by adding in our own ideas. We will also be writing our own sentences.

We are now reading multiple times per week in Reception so please ensure your child brings their reading book and reading diary into school everyday in their book bag.

Maths

Nursery:

This term in Nursery, we will continue to recognise numbers and practise counting, we will look at patterns and sequencing and learn how to compare 2 sets of objects using the language of more/fewer. We will also recap 2D and 3D shape names and look at some of the properties of these shapes. We will find objects in the environment to match shapes.

Reception:

This term in Reception, we will be practising counting beyond 10 and learn number bonds to 10. We will be finding one more and one less and learn how to add and subtract. We will also be looking at patterns, doubling and sharing and also recognition of odd and even numbers.

You can support your child with Maths at home too. When you go shopping, talk about prices and look at numbers you see. When you lay the table, talk about how many plates you need. Notice shapes around your home etc.



Don't forget...

You can add to your child's learning journey using Evidence Me. We love to see the experiences the children have outside of school!