



# Nursery Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our Nursery – a happy and safe place where every child can learn, grow, and shine! We're so excited to have you join our Nursery family. Each day is filled with fun activities, playtime, and new adventures. We can't wait to get to know all of the children and see all the amazing things they will do! Get ready for lots of laughter, learning, and wonderful memories!

Enclosed in this letter is an overview of all the exciting learning your child will be completing this half term. As you can see, we're going to be very busy!

If you require any further information about your child's learning, please do not hesitate to speak with us or arrange an appointment for a chat

## Muddy Monday

**Muddy Monday** takes place every Monday and is a special day dedicated to **out-door learning and PE**. Children will spend much of the day outside, exploring nature, enjoying hands-on learning, and taking part in physical activities, whatever the weather! Please make sure your child comes to school in their **PE kit**, and brings **warm, weather-appropriate clothing, pair of wellies all in a named bag**. Waterproofs, layers, and hats/gloves are ideal to help keep them warm and comfortable. Our **Out-door approach** encourages curiosity, confidence, and a love of the outdoors. We're excited for all the fun and learning each muddy Monday will bring! We can't wait to see what the children discover each week!



### Diary Dates:

#### **Monday 14th September**

- Bring in a photo of your family to show the class

#### **Friday 18th September**

**8:15am-8:45am** 'Tea and toast' come and meet the staff, get information about Early years and to ask any questions you may have.

#### **Thursday 22nd October**

Wow day– come in your pyjamas

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School fireworks PM



## PE

PE lessons will take place on **Monday and Wednesday**. We are asking that children come to school dressed in their PE kits on PE days. Please ensure your child is wearing no jewellery on these days.

## PSHE:

This half term in PSHE, our topic is 'Being Me in My World'. We'll be supporting the children as they begin to understand more about themselves and their place in the world around them. The children will be:

- Talking about different feelings and emotions and learning to recognise how they feel.
- Exploring their responsibilities at nursery, such as tidying up and looking after toys.
- Learning the importance of having kind hands and being gentle and caring towards others.

These discussions help build self-awareness, confidence, and positive relationships with friends and adults.

## Expressive Art and Design

This term, we will be exploring a variety of Nursery Rhymes and using them as inspiration for our creative activities. The children will have opportunities to experiment with a range of different materials, textures and colours, developing their creativity and fine motor skills. We will also be creating self-portraits, encouraging the children to look closely at their own features and talk about what makes them unique and special.

## Mathematics

This half term the children will be :

- Exploring different colours (red, blue, yellow, green, purple)
- Matching objects that are the same
- Sorting by colour, size and shape
- Looking closely at objects and talking about how they are the same or different. Noticing shapes around them and beginning to spot similarities and differences.

## RE:

This half term we will be looking at ' why God is so important to Christians'

In this unit, children will find out about the Christian belief that God created the heavens and the earth. They will learn the key events from the creation story found in Genesis 1. They will find out many Christians believe the earth and everything in it belongs to God and that God gave people the job of taking care of the world. Pupils will find out the story of Adam being tasked with naming animals.

## Understanding of the World:

This half term, our topic is 'Me and My Community'. The children will explore what makes them unique and special while settling into school routines and building confidence in their new environment. They will learn about friendship, kindness and being helpful, as well as the importance of their family, school and local community. Through fun activities and discussions, the children will develop a sense of belonging and respect for others.

## Phonics:

This half term, the children will begin their phonics journey as we introduce Phase 1 Phonics.

Phase 1 focuses on developing children's speaking and listening skills, which are the essential building blocks for reading and writing. The main aim is to help children become confident listeners and tune into the sounds around them,

Through a range of fun games, songs, rhymes and listening activities, the children will develop their ability to listen carefully, distinguish between different sounds .

## English:

This half term, our focus story in Literacy is 'Peace at Last' by Jill Murphy. The children will explore this much-loved story through a range of engaging and interactive activities.

We will look closely at the illustrations and use them to help us understand what is happening in the story and the sequence of events. The children will be encouraged to join in with repeated phrases and sounds, such as the clock going "tick-tock" and Mr Bear saying "I just can't get to sleep!"

Through storytelling, role play, discussions and creative activities, the children will develop their vocabulary, listening and comprehension skills. They will be encouraged to make predictions, talk about the characters and describe the different sounds Mr Bear hears throughout the night.

We look forward to bringing 'Peace at Last' to life and helping the children develop a love of stories and books!