



Nursery News

Summer term 1

Hello everyone and a warm welcome to parents and new children that have joined us this term! It is hard to believe we are already in the Summer term, but we have lots of learning and exploring to do over the next 6 weeks. As we begin to think about the transition of Nursery to Reception later on this year (for some of our superstars), we will be focusing more than ever on encouraging independence, including washing hands, dressing, helping with jobs (such as preparing food, tidying etc.) and using different tools. The children are always asked to "have a try" before asking for help. These are all skills that can be practised at home, too!

What are we learning about this half term?

Our learning theme this half term will be 'In my Garden'. We will talk a lot about how things around us grow and change, including people, animals and plants. Through the story 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar', we will learn about healthy eating, the life cycle of a butterfly and other minibeasts. We also have some surprise caterpillar friends coming to live in Nursery to enable the children to witness the growth of a caterpillar into a butterfly! In our Nursery garden we will encourage the children to get involved in helping to plant and look after a variety of seeds, beans and flowers. We hope this will give them some ownership over their environment while enabling them to learn about growth and caring for living things. Our maths explorations this half term will be focused around practicing and revisiting key skills, such as counting with accuracy, subitising and comparing "more" and "less". We will also compare size, weight and capacity in our everyday discussions. For example, when filling and emptying different sized watering cans to water the flowers. Each week, we will continue to learn a new sound. Our sounds this half term will be: u, r, h, b, f, l, j.

Notices

- While we understand it can be hard for a child to separate from comfort toys, please ensure that all toys are left at home. We would be very sad to see any special toys lost or broken if brought into Nursery. Thank you.

Key dates

May

1st—Bank Holiday—Nursery Closed.
2nd—Nursery Coronation picnic.
8th—Bank Holiday—Nursery Closed.
15th—Nursery Class Group Photo.
26th—Last day at Nursery.
29 May—2nd June—Half Term.

