



# Nursery Newsletter

## Summer Term 2



Here is a summary of what and how your child will be learning this half term:

The routine of the nursery sessions cover all seven areas of learning included in the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS). The children participate in independent, self-chosen activities which are planned for and purposeful. Our pre-school children take part in a range of adult-led maths and phonics activities each week; of course the younger children can choose to join in too if they wish! We have a song and snack time and a story time each session.

### **Personal, Social & Emotional Development (PSED)**

The children will be encouraged to initiate conversations with their friends, to confidently speak to adults and peers and show an awareness and understanding of the boundaries of nursery.

### **Communication & Language (CL)**

The children will be encouraged to maintain their attention for a sustained amount of time on a range of activities, to respond to instructions and to extend their vocabulary.

### **Physical Development (PD)**

Children will have experience of moving in different ways using different equipment. We will spend time exploring healthy food and will prepare some healthy snacks.

### **Literacy**

Children will be encouraged to hear and say the initial sounds in words. We will continue to encourage as much mark making as possible and will be asking the children to give meaning to the marks they make.

### **Maths**

Children will be taught how to count a group of objects carefully using 1 to 1 correspondence. Children will learn the names of some simple 2D shapes and be encouraged to find these in our environment.

### **Understanding the World (UW)**

Children will be encouraged to talk about family customs they are involved in, to talk about similarities and differences between themselves and others and to use simple ICT equipment.

### **Expressive Arts & Design (EAD)**

The children will explore and learn about how to use a range of tools and techniques and to create simple representations of themselves and people and things that are important to them.

### **Phonics**

The children participate in activities from Phase One of the Letters and Sounds documents produced by the Government. This half-term the focus will be oral blending and segmenting. The children will also be introduced to letter sounds and shapes.



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### **Starting school**

As you are aware our school induction evening is taking place on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June at 6.30. Following this meeting all children starting in Reception are invited to our 'transition afternoons' on 28<sup>th</sup> June, 5<sup>th</sup> July and 12<sup>th</sup> July. If your child attends our nursery on Wednesday afternoons they will be brought over to the school building at 1.30. We ask that you then collect them from Willow classroom at 3.00.

### **Sports Day**

Our school sports day is taking place on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July (Tuesday if wet) in the afternoon. Nursery children who attend on Monday afternoons will be taking part. If your child does not usually attend on Monday afternoons but you would like them to participate in sports day you are more than welcome to bring them along and stay with them for the duration of the event. All parents are invited to come and watch their children in sports day. More details will follow on the school newsletters.

### **End of year celebration**

We will be holding a teddy bears picnic and end of term celebration on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July from 12.00-3.00. If your child does not usually attend nursery on Friday afternoon you are more than welcome to come and join us (parents/carers must stay with their child). If your child is usually here then they can stay as usual but these parents are also very welcome to join us for all or part of the session. We ask that on this day all children bring in a packed lunch and picnic blanket as well as their favourite teddy!

### **Notes and Reminders**

Can we please remind you that our morning session finishes at 12.00 and our afternoon session finishes at 3.00. Parents should arrive no later than this to collect their child. If you are running late please telephone the school office to inform us.

If you do not regularly receive the school newsletters please ensure Mrs Parker in the school office has your email address.

Don't forget your child has a key worker within Nursery and they should be your first point of contact to talk about any concerns or issues about your child. You can also ask your child's key worker to see their learning journey whenever you would like.

If you have any questions please speak with any of us.

**Thank you!**

**Mrs Sage, Mrs Miller & Miss Baker**



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**IMPORTANT FORM- To be completed by all parents whose children will remain in nursery in September 2017.**

To ensure all children who currently attend our nursery get the sessions they require for the new academic year and to allow us to work out which sessions are available for new children please complete the form below and return it to nursery ASAP.

<b>Please indicate your child's attendance pattern required.</b>		
Days	Morning session (9.00-12.00)	Afternoon session (12.00-15.00)
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		

As you are aware we will be offering the 30 funded hours placements to those parents who meet the eligibility criteria. If you are hoping to use all or some of the additional 15 hours of funding we need to receive your eligibility code on the appropriate form (these were sent out last half-term) no later than Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July so that we can check the codes with the local authority. If we do not receive your form before this date you will not be able to access the additional 15 hours until the Spring term.

From September we are considering starting the nursery morning session at 8.45 and ending the afternoon session at 3.15 to make it easier for those parents who have older children in school. Before we do this we would like to gauge interest. As these 15 minute slots fall outside the 15 or 30 hour entitlement there would be a small charge if we go ahead. Please tick the appropriate box below.

I would be interested in these extended hours. <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"><input style="width: 50px; height: 30px; border: 2px solid black;" type="checkbox"/></div>	I would not be interested in these extended hours. <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"><input style="width: 50px; height: 30px; border: 2px solid black;" type="checkbox"/></div>
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