

# Nursery newsletter

Autumn term 1

We would like to start by welcoming all our new children and their families! It has been a busy few days getting to know everybody and the children are doing well with the settling process. Our 'old' children have been brilliant role models for the new children and have been helping them become familiar with the Nursery routines.

## Tapestry

All children in Nursery will have a Tapestry account where we will share their 'wow' moments. All email addresses returned via the consent form have been added and an activation email would have been sent to you. Please speak to a member of staff if you need further support in accessing Tapestry. The links do expire after a short time but we can send another if needed. We would also love to see any learning from home and you are encouraged to share special moments with us via Tapestry observations.

## Session times

Our morning session is 8.30-11.30. The children will be available to collect from 11.25 via the gate in the staff car park. We thank you in advance for being prompt as our lunch session begins at 11.30 and we have a very tight turnaround between sessions and lots to organise! Children leaving / arriving after lunch also use the same gate (at 12.15). Our afternoon session is 12.15 – 3.15 and children are collected via the Nursery red door.

## Library sessions

We are delighted to be able to start our Nursery library sessions where your child is loaned a book bag and will be choosing a book each week to bring home. Please see the timetable for the sessions and we will inform you of your child's day on the front of the purple book inside their book bag – please remember to bring your book bags back on the day your child changes their book.

Once you have shared the book together please record your child's response in the purple exercise book. This may be a drawing or you could record what your child said about the book.

## Things to remember...

Your child needs to have a spare set of clothes in case of toileting accidents or getting wet / dirty through play. Please send these in using a backpack each day or we do have space to store a change of clothes in Nursery should you prefer to leave a bag here.

Once the weather turns colder children will be wearing wellies when using the Nursery garden. Please send a named pair in if you haven't already done so to enable children to change their footwear before using our garden.

We will be exploring the question 'What makes me unique?' in Nursery as part of our 'Humankind' topic. We will be discussing how we look similar and different to each other and will be creating some self-portraits for display.

### Contact details

If your child is going to be absent from Nursery due to illness please phone the school office to inform us rather than using emails.

The phone number is: 01394 462190.

### Cooking

We would like to start cooking on a weekly basis but need your support. In order to fund this we ask for a voluntary contribution for supplies (minimum suggested donation per term is £4). We may have to stop these sessions if we run out of funds. Thank you in advance for your generosity, the children really enjoy cooking and it teaches them valuable life skills.

### Wild Wednesdays and Friday forest frolics

We will be starting our outdoor sessions in the forest and pond areas and will continue for as long as possible until the weather turns cold. Children will be spending the majority of the session on Wednesday mornings and Friday afternoons in the garden so please ensure they are dressed appropriately with warm / waterproof clothing and wellies.



### Our weekly timetable

Monday morning	Tuesday morning	Wednesday morning	Thursday morning	Friday morning
PE Talk 4 Writing	Library	Wild Wednesday (outdoor forest exploring)	Number of the week	Cooking
Monday afternoon	Tuesday afternoon	Wednesday afternoon	Thursday afternoon	Friday afternoon
Nursery rhyme story sacks	Music	Library	Mini movers (action songs / dancing)	Forest frolics

Please note children will be working barefoot for PE so any practice with putting socks and shoes on at home will help. Earrings should be removed or covered with a plaster before coming to Nursery and long hair needs to be tied up for PE sessions. Please ensure your child is wearing comfortable clothing for moving around in. If possible please avoid shoes with laces for PE days. THANK YOU.

The Nursery team