

Nursery Newsletter Summer 1

Welcome back, everybody! We hope you all had a wonderful Easter with your families. This half term we will be learning all about minibeasts and life cycles! It is a popular topic where the children get to go experience things first-hand by going on a bug hunt and watching caterpillars hatch into butterflies. The nursery team are all looking forward to another exciting half term with some warmer weather!



Daily routines

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| Monday | Book bag, diary and reading book | |
| Tuesday | Book bag, diary and reading book | |
| Wednesday | Book bag, diary and reading book | |
| Thursday | Book bag, diary and reading book | |
| Friday | Book bag, diary and reading book | Wellies and a suitable coat + waterproofs for Nature Play. |

Things you will need

- An outfit for the Ugly Bug Ball

Things to know

- On your birthday you can wear your own clothes as a treat.
- Every Friday a child is picked to be Star of the Week.
- Once a week the teachers choose a child who has stood out to us and we send a postcard home.

Our learning in Summer 1

- The children will continue to develop the Prime areas including personal, social and emotional development. This half term we will be encouraging the children to use "plan-do-review" for their activities. This begins to develop their problem solving skills. We will practise our gross and fine motor skills.
- In Literacy, we will be learning about Eric Carle's *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*. We will read the book and retell the story using props. We will join in singing "Incy Wincy Spider" and learn how to sing a rhyme independently. The children will begin recognizing the difference between a fiction and a non-fiction book.
- In Phonics, we will continue Phase One of the Read Write Inc. scheme. The children will be revising letters (sounds) taught so far, introduced to new ones and begin to blend. For home reading please continue to focus on using the pictures to retell the story and talk about the beginning, middle and end of the book. NB: we have moved the reading groups around so please can you make sure your child brings their book bag in every day.
- In Maths, we will look at sequencing, positional language, more than and fewer than and 2D shape.
- In Religion, we will begin the topic 'Good News' and will be learning about the story of Pentecost. In Caritas, we will be learning about our different gifts and talents and discussing how we can use them to help others.
- In Science, we will be learning about different minibeasts. We will be learning the song "Wiggledy wiggledy" to learn about the life cycle of frogs.
- In Art, we will be exploring Texture and create our own minibeasts using cut shapes. We will learn about the artist Eric Carle.
- In Music, we will be learning to sing the melodic shape (e.g. up and down) of familiar songs.

Dress to impress

The nursery team continue to encourage the children to take great pride in our school and our uniform. Can we just remind parents/ carers that school uniform and school shoes should be worn every day (apart from Fridays, when we do nature play).

Key Dates

- 21.4.23** Eid al-Fitr
- 5.5.23** Royal Tea Party for the Coronation
- 17.5.23** Grandparent day
- Ugly Bug ball – date t.b.c.

Tapestry

We hope you are enjoying looking at your child's observations. Please do give them a "like" or make a comment. If you are having trouble accessing the site, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

