

# Our Nursery Newsletter



Dear Parents / Guardians,

Friday 19th October 2018

We can't believe how quickly this half-term has gone and how well the children have settled in. Many thanks for your support in returning your child's library book. Please be on time at the beginning and end of the session (though the vast majority of children are here at 8.45am/12.15pm and are picked up on time which is great). If you do have siblings in school please bring your child to Nursery first then we are not being disturbed during register time. Attendance is good which creates good habits for the children as they go through school life.

The children are becoming really independent and are accessing the snack table themselves, putting their coats on themselves and also taking shoes on and off when going into the sand pit. A small number of children need adult help with their shoes, please make sure the shoes they are wearing they can put on and take off themselves. A reminder that laces are not allowed.

This week we have been assessing letter-sound recognition and number recognition. We will be introducing the first set of letter sounds next half term. The school uses **Jolly Phonics** which has an action and a song to go with each letter sound and we continue to use the games in **Letters and Sounds**. **Jolly Phonics** has videos which can be found on YouTube which will be useful for your information and also to watch with your child.

Our Big Book this week has been Goldilocks and the Three Bears. Ask your child to tell you the story if they can remember it. In the construction area indoors and outdoors we made chairs and beds of three different sizes and children wore masks to retell the story. We added bowls and spoons from our outdoor mud kitchen but made sure there was a big one, a middle sized one and a small one for baby bear. Maybe at home talk with your child about different sizes, order your family into tallest to shortest!

A maths focus this week has been on shape. We have talked about which shapes have curved edges or straight edges and how many corners certain shapes have. At home or when you are out and about see what shapes you can see around you.

Most parents now are able to receive emails from nursery showing photographs of what your child has been doing. Feel free to send a message back or even attach a photograph if you can, this will then be printed and stuck into your child's Learning Journey book. If you are still having trouble accessing this please let me know.

A reminder we finish for half-term today and we are off school for one week. We look forward to seeing you again after the half-term break.

Nursery Staff



