

Our Nursery Newsletter



Friday 16th April 2020

Welcome back to the summer term. Fingers crossed we will continue the rest of our time in Nursery smoothly, as life appears to be returning to "near normal". The children never cease to amaze me in how adaptable they are. All children appear to be coping well with the many changes they have had and it is lovely to have all staff and all children now back together, where we should be.

Our main focus continues to be based around Speech and Language development. Children have been reassessed using "WellComm" and staff are aware of children's next steps in moving their language forward. Over the next week I will speak with you concerning the specific targets we are working on with your child so you can support this at home too if you can.

The habit of daily reading is proven to be a massive factor in helping to develop vocabulary and language. Book bags will be needed once again each day in nursery for your child to take a book home. The staff will choose the book from a selection of books not handled by children. (In the past the child has chosen a book from the class library which is handled by all children.)

Our Big Book this week was "This is the Bear" by Sarah Hayes and Helen Craig. Whilst reading the book we discussed how different characters were feeling and why. We are spending time talking about our emotions and how we are feeling and crucially naming our emotions, rather than just feeling happy or sad. The book also has rhyming in it which links to our curriculum. Children do find rhyming difficult but the more they hear rhymes the easier it becomes.

We have introduced the "Read Write Inc. Phonics" scheme which is followed throughout the school. This week we have been naming pictures which link to each letter of the alphabet. Please see attached information. If you can practise this at home this would really support your child's development in phonics. More information can be found on the OxfordOWL website.

Many thanks for all your support,
Nursery Staff

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mmmmountain

a

a a a apple

s

sssssnake

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d d d dinosaur

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t t t tower

i

i i i insect

C

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u

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y

y y y y

n

nnnnnet

p

p p p pirate

g

g g g girl

o

o o o orange

Some letters have stretched sounds like "mmmmmountain" some have bouncy sounds like "a a a a apple".

Please speak to a member of staff if you would like more information.