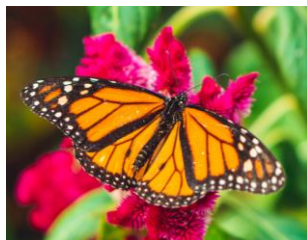


## Nursery Newsletter

11/03/2022



Dear Parents

On Friday it is "Wear Blue for Bobby" Day in memory of a little boy who was with his Mum when he was involved in a fatal road accident outside a local school in 2014. Bobby was just 6 years old. His family have developed The Bobby Colleran Trust, a registered charity, the aim of which is to improve Road Safety for all children. Children can wear a blue top on Friday but still must wear their Nursery joggers and Nursery shoes/trainers. Thanks for your support with this.

Many thanks to Miss Hodson, the school Science Lead, who has arranged a visit to school this half term by Acorn Farm. Staff from the farm will bring in a small selection of animals as appropriate for a school visit! In previous years we have used the school mini bus for local visits one of which included a visit to Acorn Farm. If you haven't been it is definitely worth a visit. It is open 7 days per week 10am-4pm and is just the right size for little ones as it is not too big. It is in Kirkby, L33 3AR so only a short drive from school.

As last week was a very busy week, we continued with a focus on the storybook "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" by Eric Carle as there was still so much learning we could use the book for. The story can be found on YouTube if you would like to listen to it with your child. Learning included a focus on days of the week, number, healthy and not so healthy food and most importantly the stages involved in how from a tiny egg, out pops a caterpillar, then a cocoon then a beautiful butterfly. The children were introduced to the word "symmetrical" meaning the same on both sides. We noticed the butterfly's wings were symmetrical and tried to remember this as we drew images of butterflies. At a recent training course staff attended, "chunky, paint sticks" were recommended for the children to use when mark making due to the lack of pressure needed. "The Works" sells them at £3 for a set of 6. Check the Nursery Twitter @stannestanleyf1 page for photographs of the children using them. A rhyme we have learnt to go alongside the book, "There's a tiny caterpillar on a leaf" can be found again on YouTube.

If your child is 4 years old by 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022 they will move to Reception. The Local Authority has sent to school a list of names of all children whose parents have applied and been given a place in our Reception Class. If this is something you have not yet done and need help in applying please speak to a member of staff. For those children who turn 4 years old after 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022 they will remain in Nursery for a second year. **Children must be 4 years old by 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022 to attend Reception.**

Warmest wishes  
Mrs Riley