

Nursery Newsletter

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Dear Parents

It's hard to believe we are coming to the end of the Spring term, with only one term left before many of our children leave Nursery to move to Reception in September. (A reminder children who are not 4 years old by 31st August will attend Nursery for a second year.)

It has been a busy crafting week making Easter/Spring cards and baskets, hoping the Easter Bunny will call with a chocolate egg for all of the children on Friday. Making an Easter basket proved very challenging but gave the children the opportunity to practise their cutting and threading skills. Within the **Physical Development** section of the EYFS Curriculum, for 3-4 year olds, **to use one-handed tools and equipment, for example, making snips in paper with scissors** is achievable for all children though our younger children sometimes need more hand-over-hand help. The aim of the basket was it had to be the right size and strong enough to hold a chocolate egg and also have a handle to carry it! During the making of the basket, we did keep checking that the basket met this challenge! We will see on Friday!

Our book focus this week was, "Time for Bed, Fred" by Yasmeen Ismail. The video telling the story can be found on YouTube. This was a good book to reinforce positional language, (under, inside, in between, on top,) and also conversations about our own bedtime routines and what we do before going to bed, do we have a story, have a bath and so on. The illustrations in the book the children really enjoyed, especially one little girl whose face lit up as the pages were turned as the dog was being so naughty, avoiding everything instead of going to bed! Ask your child can they remember any of the places Fred tried to hide to avoid going to bed.

All of the children have been reassessed using the Speech and Language tracker **WellComm**. It is pleasing to see the progress made by individual children alongside the whole of the Nursery as a cohort since December. Using **EvidenceMe** I will let you know what the staff will be working on in the Summer term with regards to your child's next steps in this crucial and very important area of learning.

A reminder school closes on Friday 8th April for the Spring break and reopens on 25th April. Some parents have asked about a summer uniform. School dresses, red or pink gingham/checks can be worn with a red or maroon cardigan. Grey shorts can be worn but they must have an elasticated waist. School shoes/trainers must have no laces.

Many thanks for all your support, wishing you all a lovely break. Hopefully the weather will improve and time can be spent outdoors.

Take care
Mrs Riley