



Nursery –Summer 1 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you have had a lovely Easter break and are now ready for the half term ahead. Summer term is always a lovely term because the weather is getting nicer and the nights become lighter.

Lifecycles This half term our topic is Lifecycles. We will be using different stories to support us with our learning. Our first book is The Teeny Weeny Tadpole which will give us the opportunity to observe our own tadpoles and see how they change over time. We will also be using Monkey Puzzle and The Very Hungry Caterpillar. This half term will also see the lead up to the Platinum Jubilee. We will be learning all about it and celebrating it! More information will follow.

Curriculum: We will continue to learn through play-based activities. Children are challenged by interactions with staff and the use of effective questioning. Children have access to a variety of resources, for example, sand, water, construction and role play to allow them to develop their imagination independently. We also utilise the outdoor area daily to enhance our learning it is therefore important that your child has the appropriate clothing in school.

Reading – Nursery children who are due to start school in September are enjoying their reading books. These books are from our new phonics scheme Little Wandle. They offer the foundations for Phonics. They do not have words; the purpose of them is to introduce your child to the school reading books, learn how to turn pages, look after reading books and to spend time together sharing the book. Please can you encourage your child to make up their own story and use different vocabulary. Ask your child questions about the book to begin their understanding of comprehension. The books are brand new so please look after them carefully. We will change these books on a Friday. Children also have a library book which we change every Tuesday. Please make sure it is in school ready to change.

Milk and Fruit: Milk and fruit is provided daily to all children. You may also send in a drink but remember water only! Children also have an opportunity to have a bagel when they start the day.

Tapestry and Class Dojo: I am still using Tapestry for my classroom observations but I am now using Class Dojo for regular communication with yourself. I have set everybody up but you need to access your e-mail to accept the invite. I post on this most days so if you haven't managed to use please speak to me and I will help. I have had very positive feedback from parents who enjoy seeing photographs of their child.

Please can your child bring some spare clothes to leave on their peg in school. We are extremely short of spare clothes so it is important in case they require a change.

Please remember Nursery start and finish times. Please be punctual as the children get upset if you are not there on time.

Morning session- 8.45-11.45

Afternoon session-12.30-3.15

Fulltime- 8.45-3

Best wishes,

Mrs L. Johnstone (Early Years Teacher)