



It's hard to believe it's the summer term already! Where has the time gone? We would like to say a huge well done to our new friends who joined us last term, they have settled extremely well and have been made to feel so welcome by our gorgeous group of children. We have so many fabulous things ahead of us in Nursery as we move into this wonderful time of year. It's hard to believe that most of our friends will soon be moving into Reception! They are a fabulous group and have made us laugh and cry (with laughter). We have enjoyed every second with them. We would like to share our plans and targets for the summer term with you. We hope you'll find this newsletter useful, but as always, if you have any further questions or queries please do not hesitate to speak to a member of our team. Thank you in anticipation of your support, Mrs Edwards and Miss Slater.



Nursery Newsletter Summer 2023



Diary Dates

Mon 17 th April	Children back at school
Mon 1 st May	School closed - BANK HOLIDAY
Fri 5 th May	Celebration of the forthcoming coronation of King Charles III
Mon 8 th May	School closed - BANK HOLIDAY
Wed 24 th May	10.00am - Year 4 Open Worship in school 'Ascension & Pentecost'
Fri 26 th May	Last Day of Summer 1
Mon 5 th June	Back to school after the half term break
Fri 16 th June	Diversity Well-Being Day
W/B 19 th June	Aspirations week
Fri 7 th July	Foundation Stage Sports Day - 1.15pm (Nursery & Reception)
Tue 11 th July	'Moving up' day in school
Fri 14 th July	Reports out
Mon 17 th July	Nursery/Reception/Y1 & Y2 Parents Evening - 3.30pm to 6.00pm
Tue 18 th July	10.00am - Year 5 Open Worship - dedicated to Year 6
	School breaks up for Summer Holidays
Fri 21 st July	Children return to school on Wed 6 th September 2023

Earring policy

Children are allowed to wear one pair of small stud pierced earrings except for the days when they have PE or swimming. On these days we will be insisting that earrings must not be worn for school and they should be removed by the parent or child at home. Covering earrings with tape will no longer be permitted as it does not ensure safe participation in sports activities.

If parents wish for their child to have their ears pierced, then it is best to be done at the beginning of the 6 weeks holiday so that they can then be removed for PE at the beginning of the Autumn term.

Nail varnish, false nails, make up, hair dye or temporary tattoos must not be worn for school.

Summer is here!

Just a few things to mention as the summer approaches:

Children **must** bring a coat of some sort to nursery every day. We understand how sunny it can look one moment but British weather is so unpredictable and this can quickly change. Also, please ensure your child comes to nursery dressed in clothes and footwear they can manage for themselves. We like to encourage independence and children find tight jeans laces and buttons difficult to manage.

If it is expected to be a hot, sunny day **please apply sun cream before your child comes to nursery.**

All children require a sun hat to wear outdoors to keep their head cool. **Please ensure that your child's name is in their hat and all other belongings.**

Children are encouraged to bring a water bottle to nursery over the summer months. This can be filled at home with either water or weak dilute juice.

Children **are not allowed** to bring fizzy drinks or drinks such as Fruit Shoots. Please ensure your child's bottle has their name on it. Thank you.

Fund Money

Our fund money is still £1 a week and can be paid via **Parent Pay**. Last term we used the money to develop our nature garden. This term, we are looking to continue to develop our outdoor investigation area.

P.E kits

As the nice weather becomes more frequent (hopefully), we will be doing more P.E based activities outside. **Please can we ask that children come to nursery dressed appropriately for P.E. (joggers/leggings/t-shirt and suitable footwear) on a Friday.**



Our plans for the summer term

This term we will be exploring the seasonal changes summer brings. Our first topic, 'Ticket to ride', will allow children to explore the world around them, including where we live, the UK and the wider world. The latter part of the summer term we will look at seaside encounters within our topic, 'Under the sea'. As always, we will continue to follow the children's interest through 'mini topics' alongside our main topics.

Personal and Social Development

This term, we will be focussing on looking after others and developing further friendships. For those children moving into Reception class, we will be thinking about our dreams and goals. All children will be encouraged to take part in such things as sports day which will encourage a sense of fair play. **You can help your child by talking about their strengths and their areas for development.**

Physical Development

In PE we will be developing games skills, team games and using games equipment. Children will practise their sending and receiving skills, passing and travelling with different equipment. Children will continue to work on their scissor and pencil skills as well as work on exercises to develop their strength and dexterity. **You can help by giving your child as many opportunities to move, dance, run, jump, climb, balance and do all of those fabulous things in open spaces, play areas and out for long walks.**

Communication and Language

The development of spoken language underpins all that we do in Nursery. Children will continue to be immersed in a language-rich climate extending their vocabulary through the use of engaging them actively in conversation, story telling and role-play sharing their thoughts and ideas. **You can help by reading stories to your child, engaging them in conversations and trying out new words. Continue to encourage your child to hear and use rhyme.**

Maths

In maths, we will be focussing on comparing lengths and weights of a variety of objects. Children will explore patterns from different cultures and will be encouraged to describe and copy different patterns using a variety of materials. We will be extending mathematical vocabulary through real life events. **You can help your child by noticing items of different lengths in and around your home and allow children to explore weight by handling objects. You can look for patterns all around you.**

Understanding the world

Children will have opportunities to explore different countries around the world and develop positive attitudes towards cultural similarities and differences. We will develop curiosity through exploring floating and sinking and forces and magnets. Children will continue to develop the needs to look after their environment. **You can help your child by providing opportunities to talk about what they observe around them and discussing such things as recycling.**

Expressive Arts and Design

Children will be able to draw from their imagination and begin to work using greater detail. Children will explore colour mixing and creating collages. Children will use musical instruments to express feelings. **You can help by encouraging your child to look carefully and pay attention to more detail when they are drawing at home, using colours for a purpose and explore different ways of creating collages.**

We plan to make the absolute most of every single second of our final term in Nursery and enjoy everything we do with this delightful class.

