

Nursery Newsletter

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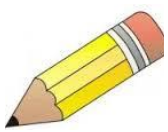
Summer is coming!

We are delighted that our new children have settled so well into nursery. An exciting few weeks lie ahead as our older children prepare to move to Reception.

A few reminders!

Please remember that the toys in our garden are for the Nursery children only and that siblings should not be playing with them when coming to pick up your child.

A reminder that the morning session starts at 8.30am and finishes at 11.30 and the afternoon session starts at 12.15pm. We are finding that children are arriving as late as 8.45am and 12.30pm and are being collected as late as 11.45 from the morning session. We expect our children to be in nursery promptly at these times and to be collected just as promptly. It also supports them in developing good habits for when they start 'big' school.



What can you do to help your child at home?

For our school starters, keep providing opportunities for name writing, encouraging your child to hold the pencil with two or three fingers. Play games such as 'I Spy' to develop awareness of the first sound in words. Talk about numbers and letters in the environment such as on car number plates and front doors.

For our younger children, keep encouraging as much independence as possible with toileting and putting their coat on. Talk about shapes and colours in the environment and find opportunities to count and sort things, such as toys and cars. Enjoy sharing books and singing rhymes and songs together.

A reminder that children need a hat or cap in nursery and sun cream applied before they come to school when the weather is sunny.

Dates for your diary

- Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June - Half Term holiday.
- Monday 6th June - Staff Training Day (school closed).
- Thursday 23rd June - EU Referendum (school close)

What have the children been learning?

The children have been having lots of fun exploring things that grow!

As I am sure the children will have told you, we have had caterpillars in nursery and we have been fascinated with watching them grow.



We have been busy making our own butterfly symmetry pictures using paint, collaging and painting different mini beasts and developing our understanding of butterflies by making butterfly lifecycles.

The caterpillars have now transformed into butterflies! We will be releasing them on Friday so if you haven't seen them yet, ask your child to show them to you and ask them about what has been happening.

TRANSITION TO RECEPTION

Next half term is a very exciting one as the children will find out which Reception class they will be in and who their class teacher will be. There will be visits from Nursery into Reception so that the children can experience their new classroom and meet their new friends. More information to follow.