

# Nursery Newsletter

June 2017

## What have the children been learning?

We have started out The World Around Us topic by looking at Nursery. We have used photographs to make maps of the nursery. We have then looked at our school and homes on Google earth- we were very excited to see buildings we recognized and went on virtual walks along familiar roads.

We are moving onto talking about different jobs people do so please talk to your child about the jobs people in their family do- parents, aunts, uncles, grandparents or about what job your child might like to do in the future.

## MARVELLOUS ME! and RHYMING BAGS

Butterflies and Bumblebee groups have re-started their Marvellous Me boxes but with a slight twist. We are asking children to bring in items related to a special occasion or event in their family life.

Ladybird group have been practicing their nursery rhymes. We have a selection of nursery rhyme book/puppet bags which parents are invited to borrow to share at home with their child. Please speak to Mrs Cowan if you would like to borrow one.

## READ TOGETHER

We have continued to enjoy welcoming lots of parents to our weekly Read Together sessions this half term. Every Tuesday morning or afternoon we invite all parents/carers to stay on drop-off to share a story or 2. If you haven't stayed already please try to find one Tuesday where you can come and join the fun!

## REMINDERS

- ~ On hot, sunny days please send your child in with a sun hat/cap and apply plenty of sun cream at home before bringing your child to nursery. If your child stays all day you may want to send in some sun cream for them to apply at lunchtime- please just let us know so we can remind them.
- ~ On cooler days please remember to pack your child a lightweight coat/jacket as it can get a little chilly in the nursery garden.

## What can you do to help your child at home?

When you are out and about please take some time to look at the house numbers and road signs you see around you. The children can spot numbers they know in number plates or even the letters in their name.

Many of our children enjoy attempting the different jigsaw puzzles we put out. Jigsaws are very good for developing children's fine motor skills as they have to pick up, pinch and grasp pieces (some with small knobs, pegs or chunky pieces) and move them around, manipulating them into slots, sorting them and fitting them into the correct places. They also help develop children's problem solving skills. It would be great if you could spend some time playing with jigsaw puzzles with your children- they can be found in toy shops and supermarkets, and often very cheaply in charity shops.



## Dates:

**Sports day: Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July**

10am for morning nursery and 2pm for afternoon nursery- a separate letter has been sent with details.