4th January 2021

Nursery Spring Topic Letter.

Welcome to Nursery. Here are some of the objectives and some of the activities and events that we will be covering in Nursery this term.

Events that we will be celebrating this term.

* Our new topic will be Winter, we will be reading lots of books based on this topic and looking at the changes in the weather. We will also be experimenting with ice and how investigating how to make it and looking at why it freezes and melts.
* Chinese New Year. We will be celebrating this Chinese festival by structuring some of our learning on this festival. We will be reading lots of fiction and non-fiction books based on the event such as: ‘The Magic Paint Brush’ and ‘Winnie and Wilbur at Chinese New Year’. We will be doing lots of crafts such as making paper lanterns and writing Chinese words in sand. We will also be food tasting Chinese food!
* Valentines Day-This term we will be celebrating Valentines Day. We will be learning all about St Valentine and the story behind Valentines Day. We will be doing lots of PSHE circle times to discuss who is special to us and how be nice to each other. We will also be doing lots of Valentines Day crafts…and you might even get a special delivery from your little one!

Each week we change the resources and activities in Nursery, the changes are based on children’s interests, festivals that we are celebrating, children’s next steps and our topics. We provide lots of messy play, creative activities and fine motor activities which change each week too.

Communication and Language

* We will be singing and dancing to lots of nursery rhymes.
* We will also be having stories everyday so that we can discuss the pictures in the books and have conversations about the books.We will be learning that stories have a beginning, middle and an end.
* We will be learning how to follow instructions at nursery.
* We will be joining in group times and gaining the confidence to speak in front of a group of people.

To keep everyone safe, when you drop your child off and collect your child could you please wait at the green gate in an orderly line and refrain from coming down the path. Thank you for your co-operation. ☺

Our nursery rhymes this term will be:

Incy Wincy Spider, Mary had a Little Lamb & Little Bo Peep.

We will be practising these lots so that we can sing them all by ourselves. Please could you practise these at home too. ☺

Gentle Reminders

* Please remember to bring spare clothes in your child’s PE bag which will stay at school.
* Please bring in some wellies that can stay at Nursery as we will be doing lots of outdoor learning.
* Remember to put names in all uniform.
* If your child uses an inhaler, please inform a member of Nursery and bring one into school for us to keep here.
* Please ensure that correct uniform is worn.
* Please ensure that your child has a book in school as we have lots of things to take home at the end of the day.
* Please ensure that you are not late to drop your hild off at school and also please ensure you are on time to collect **(9am-3.15pm).**

Thank you.

Mathematics

* We will be continuing to recognise and discuss 2D shapes.
* We will be looking 2D shapes in the environment.
* We will be subtising to 3 and really focusing on numbers 0-3 so that children get a really good understanding of these numbers.
* We will be making marks to represent numerals.
* We will be looking at simple repeated patterns.

Literacy (reading and writing)

* We will be recognising familiar signs and logos. We will be looking at different logos that we see all the time within the environment and discussing their meanings.
* We will be learning to recognise our names and begin to write them if we are ready to do this.
* We will be listening to lots of stories with our teachers.
* We will be continuing to take part in our weekly ‘Squiggle while we Wiggle. Miss Smith, reads a story and we all take part in mark-making on large paper on the floor!
* We will be learning about Winter animals and their habitats.
* We will be learning how to draw recognisable winter animals.
* We will be learning what the initial sound is in our name.