

Nursery Half Termly Update Spring Term 2

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back, it is so lovely to see all the children so happy to be back to school. We hope you all had a relaxing break.

It would be great if you could share with us through Tapestry, all of the fabulous things you have been doing as a family over the half term. We can then share these with the children during carpet sessions.

Thank you to all parents who paid their child's snack money last term. Your donation helps us to provide additional snacks, play dough ingredients and other craft materials. This term we start again with 50p a week or if you would prefer paying £3.00 for the term.

Please make sure that your child has enough spare clothes labelled in school.

Home reading books are changed at least once a week (we aim to do this on Wednesday). The expectation is for you to read with your child daily and write a short comment in their reading diary. Please bring in book bags on a Wednesday.

We are learning to **recognise our own names**, please support your child's learning by helping them find their name card each morning and place it in the box.

Thank you for your support!

With best wishes from the Nursery Team

Maths: This term we will be learning to solve real world mathematical problems with numbers up to 5. We will focus on 2D and 3D shapes. Children will also learn about position language through words alone – for example, "The bag is under the table," – with no pointing. We will describe a familiar route and discuss routes and locations, using words like 'in front of' and 'behind'. We will start to look at making comparisons between objects relating to size, length, weight and capacity.

<u>Literacy:</u> This term our focus books will look at people who help us. Please ask your child about the story we have been reading in school. Can they retell you part of the story at home? Can they tell you their favourite part or favourite character and maybe why? The children will also learn to develop their phonological awareness, so that they can spot and suggest rhymes, count or clap syllables in a word, recognise words with the same initial sound, such as money and mother.

We will also continue with phonics this term, practising our weekly sounds.

<u>Understanding the World:</u> Our topic this term is 'Local Heroes'. Please can you talk to your child about people who helps us in our local community (from doctors, nurses, and other medical and healthcare professionals, the police, and firefighters, teachers, and our parents and carers). This topic children always find absorbing! It offers opportunities to explore diverse aspects of life experiences, some close to home and others within our community. We will discuss the roles of these professionals and how they help us, and we will discuss if any of our own families are real-life superheroes.