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EYFS Curriculum Newsletter – Summer Term 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the summer term. We hope you had a lovely Easter break and enjoyed the two weeks.

Notices

Please be reminded of the following start times:

Nursery sessions begin at 9:00 and end at 3:00

Reception begins at 8:40 and ends at 3:20.

Thank you to everyone who has provided a pair of wellies for their child and spare clothes in case of accidents. Please make sure your child brings a coat and a water bottle everyday too. It may summer term but we know how unreliable the weather can be!

We will continue to provide a daily snack for the children and have attached the menu for your information. Please make sure any specific dietary requirements are given to the staff in writing.

Reading

We are so lucky that all of our children just adore reading, sharing stories and talking about books. Keep reading those bed time stories and practicing the books and words that are sent home from school. Miss Course puts a story onto tapestry each week so look out for them and share them with your children. Did you know that studies show the children that have a bedtime story and know their nursery rhymes are much more likely to gain a GCSE in English in later life?

Tapestry

There will be fortnightly curriculum newsletters in which we shall keep you updated and informed about your child's learning, ways you can help them and any extra details you will need, such as changes to timetables, notifications, etc. Your child's tapestry account will give you an insight into their day and what they have been learning, it's a great way to share and celebrate their successes. Please do post videos, photographs, comments of your own. We enjoy seeing them and talking to the children about them.

If you do need to speak to us please let us know when you drop off or collect your children. We may not be able to talk straight away but we will always make a time so that we can.

We are looking forward to an exciting term ahead and thank you in advance for your continued support.

The EYFS Tea

<u>Curriculum Topics – Summer Term 2023</u>







Topic

The theme for this term is 'journeys'. The journey of a tadpole to a frog, a bean to a beanstalk, a caterpillar to a butterfly, train journeys, car journeys, a simple walk, and an adventure to a faraway place!

Communication and Language

The children will be learning to use comparative language e.g. bigger, smaller, longer, taller. They will identify how things have changed and grown. They will extend their words and phrases using 'and' or 'because' as well as adjectives. Instead of 'a frog' staff will model "a small, green frog". The children will listen to a range of stories and talk about them with their peers and the grown-ups.

Physical Development

The children will build strength and balance using the bikes, building obstacle courses, superhero bootcamp and learning to climb safely. They will refine their coordination by skipping, playing bat and ball and gardening. The children will use tweezers, weaving, threading, paintbrushes and water and observational drawing to further develop their fine motor skills.



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

The children will explore good choices and consequences. They will develop ways to solve disputes and find compromises. The children will use a timer to make sure 'turns' are fair. The adults will help them to stop and listen to their friends. The children will gain independence in doing up buttons and fastening shoes. They will try new foods such as herbs and different types of beans making their own opinions known. The children will continue to learn to take responsibility for



Literacy

The children will share traditional tales, nursery rhymes, modern stories and information books with the staff throughout their play, with a group of their friends and as a guided group with a grownup. They will learn to listen to and distinguish between sounds, track left to right using the guttering and marble runs as well as remember information. When they are ready the children will learn the sounds that are made by different letters. Over the course of the term they will write and draw stories, posters, instructions and recounts.



This term the children will develop their understanding of number. They will see different representations of the same amount up to five and then ten. The children will learn some number facts and use them in their daily challenges. They will see numerals in different contexts such as measuring length, temperature and time. The children will explore 'more than', 'the same as' and 'less than' as they use the role play



The children will bug hunt and bird watch in the spinney. They will learn to collect and care for the creatures they find whilst learning about their homes and foods. They will plant trees, vegetables and flowers in both seed and seedling form and then help to take care of them. The children will welcome new friends and be given time to talk about family traditions. We will celebrate the coronation and talk about what this means.

Expressive Arts and Design

The children will explore using natural materials in their art work by weaving grasses and twigs. They will look at the work of Andy Goldsworthy and try something of their own in the same style. They will represent their ideas and responses to the stories we have shared in puppet shows, drawings and small world play. They will look closely at colour and shape as they try some observational drawing. The children will explore stringed instruments and listen to a range of music as well as trying to make their own.