



Gems Nursery Unit Newsletter

Friday 30th January

Mathematical Development

The children have had many opportunities to recognise number digits and counting in different ways such as mini number books, rolling the dice and jumping or clapping the number rolled. Some children have had a go at writing numbers. In addition, linking to the theme for the week, 'Me and my family, we have been laying the table, counting and corresponding, in our newly designed home corner area.

Important Notice

If your child is unwell and unable to come to nursery, please phone the office to let them know.

Thank you

Reminders

- * Snack money is £1 a week.
- * Please put dinner money in a named envelope or take cash to the office.
- * If your child is having a packed lunch can you ensure that they have a drink in their lunch box as well as their water bottle.
- * Please can you ensure that your child has warm outdoor clothing including hats, gloves and a scarf.

****PLEASE CAN YOU CHECK THE LABELS ON YOUR CHILDS CLOTHING****

Thank you

After half term break our letter of the week will be:

Rr

Please bring items in that begin with this phoneme

Busy Learning

Over the past week we have been listening to a number of stories relating to families. Some children brought in photos of their family (thank you for your response) and we have discussed different family members thinking about similarities and differences to each other, such as some families have a baby at home and others don't. Both outside and inside we've had fun looking at the mirrors and the children have had the opportunity to develop self awareness and describe themselves in positive terms. We have used the play dough to make cakes which have helped fine motor physical development. In Expressive Art and Design we have been making 'I love you' cards. This week we have been learning the 'Uu' sound and experienced putting an **u**mbrella **u**p and sitting **u**nderneath which the children thoroughly enjoyed!

After half term, in the first week we will be learning about Chinese New Year (which begins on 19th February)

Have a good rest in half term break!