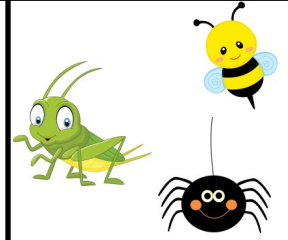




Early Years Curriculum Newsletter



Welcome to the Spring term, where we are keeping warm and taking part in different activities and celebration days such as Chinese New Year, World Book Day and Easter. We can't wait for the mobile farm to visit us just before the Easter holidays!

Our Topics

So far this term the children in the Early Years department have been learning all about their five senses through a multi-sensory approach to activities. The children have enjoyed experiencing lots of wonderful scents, as they explored many different foods and water play experiences. Some of the children even helped make spicy playdough and mixed fruity bubble bath to make bubbles. We have used feely bags to touch objects that feel different and explored them in different ways in class and in the sensory rooms. We have enjoyed using instruments and listening to music and have made our own instruments to use.

After the half term break, we will be exploring our next topic 'Jungle Animals' and we know the children will be very excited about this topic! Not only will we look closely at the animals, we will support the children to further observe their size, patterned skin, sounds they make and where they live.

Communication and Language

As always, we will be sharing books with the pupils in different ways and exploring different books according to topics and individual interests. Sharing books allows us to develop attention and language skills. We will be working on identifying environmental sounds as well as exploring speech sounds alongside using Makaton and PECS to develop communication.

Pupils will be supported to develop their understanding of following instructions during routine tasks and situations. They will be encouraged to develop their confidence in expressing their wants and needs using Makaton, communication aids and PECs.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Pupils will be encouraged and supported to develop self-help skills during every opportunity to develop independence. This includes using every day opportunities such as preparing to go outside and during snack and meal times.

We will be supporting pupils to make their own choices and begin to be more confident in expressing their individual preferences in appropriate ways. The pupils will take part in many different play experiences to help develop their interest in a range of toys.

Cooking This term we will be providing cooking sessions for classes to participate in. Please look out for information about this in the home/school diaries and you also may find a yummy treat in your child's bag!

This term your child will need-

- Spare Clothes
- Snack money- £1.00 a week- paid via the app
- Warm Outdoor Clothes
- Wellies
- Waterproof trousers/clothing



Toy Donations

Thank you to the parents that have donated unwanted toys to us recently. We are always happy and grateful to accept any donations of toys and books!

Parents Evening

Parents Evening will take place after the Half Term break.

This will be an opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher. Further details will follow.



Nappies and Wipes

If your child wears nappies, please could you provide a pack of wipes when you send in nappies. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Spare Clothes

If you have any old children's clothes that you no longer need we would be grateful for any donations.

