



18th January 2019

Nursery class newsletter - Spring Term 2019

Dear Parents and Carers.

Welcome back! We hope that you had a lovely holiday.

CURRICULUM

Our theme for this term is **My World, Your World**. We will begin by thinking about our school and who keeps us safe and helps us here. We will then look at who helps us in our community such as a police officer, lollypop person, fire fighter. We may even have some visitors! If you work in the community and would be happy to come in and talk to the children about your job do let us know. Our theme will also include looking at how we travel such as different types of transport, vehicles, using our imagination (e.g. flying on a magic carpet) as well as journeys, destinations and adventures. We will travel to different countries and find out lots of facts including about celebrating festivals such as Chinese New Year. We will learn about weather and changes in nature from Winter to Spring.

Our role play areas will develop from the children's ideas. Please spend time talking about, reading and sharing books. We welcome the children to bring in books, pictures and objects connected with our topic to share. It is useful if any items brought in from home are labelled with the child's name. The EYFS curriculum overview will give you a clearer idea of the sorts of things we are likely to do.

CLOTHING

The children spend a lot of their time in the outside learning areas and they have a wonderful time learning through active play. On cold or rainy days they will still be offered the option of being outside for part of the session. Please make sure that your child is dressed appropriately for **all weather** situations and has a warm, **waterproof coat**. Please also ensure that your child's clothing is **clearly named** to avoid mix-ups. A spare set of clothes (including socks) should be provided in a separate bag to hang on their pegs should your child have a little accident! We have a small number of spares for the occasional extra accidents and appreciate these being returned promptly.

CONTRIBUTIONS

For craft and cooking money this term, we are asking for a **voluntary contribution of £4.00**. Please return this in the envelope provided. Please could you also contribute a box of tissues. We continue to be on the lookout for small or interestingly shaped cardboard boxes (such as tea, or cosmetics boxes) and other recyclable materials including buttons, ribbons, bottle lids, or paper towelling rolls. **As we have some children with nut allergies, we request these do not include any items containing these.**

THINGS FROM HOME

The children often want to bring their own toys in. As we have so many they could unfortunately get lost or get accidentally broken by another child, so please leave them at



home if possible! Similarly, we provide drinks and snacks throughout the day so they do not need to bring any.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

We would like to remind you of the importance of regular attendance. If you arrive after the black gate is locked (9.15 and 12.45) you will need to go around to the front of the school and come through the school's main door. You will also need to fill in your child's details in the late arrivals file. It would be helpful to telephone the school each morning your child is going to be absent from school due to illnesses or appointments unless you have already informed the staff.

CHILDREN'S BIRTHDAYS

We like to acknowledge each child's birthday. As part of the celebrating you are welcome to bring in small treats for the class (such as a box of raisins or small chocolate buttons). Due to individual children with allergies and other dietary needs, it is best that these are not home baked. We will send these treats home with each child.

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Finally, parent consultations will be on Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th February. A sign up sheet will be in Nursery the week before.

Please see the school website for other dates.

Finally we would like to say a huge thank you for the generous gifts at the end of last term.

Yours sincerely,
Mary Nethersole and the Nursery Team