



Nursery Newsletter

Spring



Happy New Year! A big welcome back to you all. Can you believe we are into our second term?! We are so pleased with how all the children have settled and established a good routine throughout the day. It's another busy term with lots of exciting topics and activities planned for the children to enjoy. Don't forget we have WOW moments at the door for you to fill in whenever your child does something amazing at home that you would like to share with us—we love to hear all about them in class.

As always, if you have any questions/concerns, please feel free to speak to Mrs Butler at the door or email the office.

Key Dates

14th January - Class Photos

22nd January - Andy Tooze poet visit

29th January - Chinese New Year parent event

5th February - 3:30-4:30 Parent Book Share

11th February - Safer Internet Day parent workshop

Phonics

Our phonics teaching will continue with the Firm Foundations from our scheme, Super-sonic Phonics Friends. We will be focussing on rhyme, alliteration, voice sounds and oral blending and segmenting.

The children will work in their keyworker groups for these sessions.



General reminders

Please label ALL items of clothing.

Ensure your child brings a water bottle in each day (labelled).

The children will always need a warm, waterproof coat as we go outside whatever the weather.

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COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE

Confidently speak in larger groups sharing ideas about a story.

Join in with talk for writing story.

To use past tense correctly most of the time when sharing news.

Use extended sentences.

To begin to use new topic vocabulary .

PERSONAL, SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL

SCARF unit—Rights and Respect

Become more outgoing with unfamiliar people, in the safe context of their setting.

Show more confidence in new social situations.

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Balancing, travelling in different ways.

Mark making; letters in their name, and marks to represent numbers.

Exploring dance; moving to music.



Our Curriculum Overview



LITERACY

We start off Spring term with a cold theme, looking at Artic animals and reading the story, The Three Snow Bears by Jan Brett. Towards the end of the half term, will we complete a Talk 4 Writing unit on The Gingerbread Man.

MATHS

Show me 1, 2, 3
Move and label 1, 2, 3
Explore position and routes
Explore patterns

UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD

Traditional Tales (Plymouth Science)
Chinese New Year
Valentine's Day
I Love the seasons: Winter
British Science Week
I Love the Seasons: Spring

EXPRESSIVE ARTS & DESIGN

Explore different materials, develop own ideas and decide what materials to use.
Create closed shapes with continuous lines.
Art—clay play and transforming natural objects.