



NURSERY NEWSLETTER

Pentecost 1 Half Termly Newsletter from your Nursery

It is hard to believe we are in our final term of the year. The children have come back from the Easter holidays looking like they have grown so much. They are ready for the exciting challenges we have planned. Let's get the summer vibes rolling!

Nursery is even busier

We would like to welcome all our new families to our Nursery community. We are thrilled you have joined us.

PSHE Being imaginative together



A huge part of this half term is to extend imaginative play and negotiate roles. We want the children to know how to play in a group, extending and elaborating their play ideas. This takes patience and skill. Our role play areas will be: school. Café and Doctors. If you are having a clear out and getting rid of anything that might enhance our role play we would LOVE to inherit any resources. Please speak to a member of the team if you have any toys to offer.



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Our topic this half term is 'sharing good news.' We will be talking about how sharing good news brings us joy and happiness. We would love to hear about any good news from home (keep a look out for a homework on this). We will celebrate the good news that Jesus is alive and make a colourful 'Alleluia' banner. We will learn how Jesus gives us joy through the Holy Spirit. We will end our topic by celebrating with a happy birthday party for the church at Pentecost on Tuesday 7th May. Children to come in party clothes!

We love reading



To start our topic, Barnaby and Barbara (our class fairies) have gone on holiday. They will be travelling across the globe to Africa. We will be hearing all about their adventures and reading a variety of stories:



Before we complete the stories, we will be thinking and talking about how the story might end. We will also be identifying settings, characters and remembering key events that happened at the beginning, middle and end of the stories. A key skill we will be remembering is to read from left to right and from the top to bottom of the page. We have also started to read blurbs!



Writing

Our name writing is amazing! We can now identify so much work through children writing their names on art work. We are working hard to form the letters correctly. We are extending this by starting to write the initial sound in words. E.g. m for mummy. We are using our alphabet card to help us. We will continue to work on our strong pencil grips too.



Magical Maths



We are going to learn some super skills this half term. We are brilliant at reading repeating patterns, we are now moving onto fixing broken

patterns. We will be learning the properties of 2D shapes and learning how to play shape bingo. We are also going to be planting sunflower seeds and sending them home so we can see how tall they grow!

Animals from around the world.

This half term we are learning about animals that are from countries over the ocean. We will read Hands' a surprise and talk about all the animals from the book. We will taste some delicious fruits that do not grow in England. We have already identified lots of animals on the map and have discussed how far away they live. We will be looking and comparing weather and environments.



The Terrific Tooth fairy

As the fairies are on their travels around the world, they are going to find the tooth fairy! We will discover why she collects teeth and why we have to keep our teeth nice and clean. We will be having a talk with a dentist and practising our brushing technique. Rewards will be given out for completed teeth brushing charts!



PE Ball skills

The children will be developing their ball skills. We will be rolling, aiming at a target, throwing, kicking and catching. We will also have Mr Connolly come and join us on a Monday afternoon. He will play lots of fun games related to body movements and coordination. The children are learning how to tally up scores when using our super skills area in our new garden.



Dates for your diary:

Happy Birthday to the church - Tuesday 7th May - come in party clothes

Next half term:

Stay and play - Wednesday 12th June 2.15pm

Sports day - Thursday 27th June 9.15 am (if your child does not attend this day but would like to join us, please bring them to Nursery at 8.45am at the start of the session.

Wheelgate trip - Thursday 11th July (all day)