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Newsletter

SPRING TERM 2024

Themes

In the past we have used our newsletter to inform you of the themes, projects and activities we are following during the term. However as all our children now have a Tapestry Online Journal we use this portal to keep you involved. As before this is a two way communication tool and we ask that you share the posts with your child. This reinforces the fact that you value what they are learning in nursery and that we all work together. Thank you for your 'likes' and comments and your posts from home.

Our mornings are a balance between children following their own interests within our provision and our teacher led activities including music and Yoga with our visiting specialists.

Later in the term our focus will move onto **Traditional Rhymes and Stories** where joining in with familiar refrains and reciting rhymes will be encouraged.



World Book Day

Thursday 7th March

Children are invited to come to nursery wearing pyjamas or onesies if they would like to, and just bring in a favourite book to share.

Focus child

We are continuing with 'Focus Child' which is a comprehensive approach to observing and recording across all areas of development and learning. Through this programme we are able to understand your child's preferred learning style and interests. Your child will be the 'Focus child' for one week this term and the next.

Read, Write, Inc

This programme is now underway. Children in Foundation Stage are introduced to a letter in a fun way once a week. They practice making the sound and writing the letter correctly. Please don't worry if your child isn't particularly interested at this stage. Simply bringing attention to letters (particularly in their name) sows the seeds for later in their development. If your child is showing interest in letter formation please ensure that they are using the correct method.

Music with Mrs Milner and Ms Campbell

We are so fortunate to have our lovely music teachers who come in and inspire our children with their songs, percussion and movement.

Do use the links below to sing along on your way to school – the children will be amazed that you know 'their' songs.

Morning School - Spring 2024
www.acornnurseryschool.com/morning-school-music-spring/

Afternoon School - Spring 2024
www.acornnurseryschool.com/afternoon-school-music-spring/

The links are also on our web site home page notice board.



Birthdays

If you would like to bring in a birthday cake may we ask for bite size sponge cakes without icing or shop bought madeleines. Alternatively you might consider the birthday child brings in a book for nursery instead of cake.

Afternoon School

A warm welcome to the new families who have joined us this term. The children have settled well under the experienced care of Mrs Sayers and Mrs Cowsill and are developing interests in all our afternoon activities.

Winter weather

Warm, waterproof coats preferably with hoods are everyday essentials. Shoes that children can remove and put back on easily only please - no laces! Named hats to be kept in children's group bag and gloves in pockets.

Diploma Level 3 Early Years Workforce level 3

Mrs Scheub has nearly completed this course in conjunction with Highlands College.

If you are interested in gaining this valuable qualification or the degree in childhood studies do please talk to Mrs King or Mrs Scarborough who are 'in house' assessors.

Christmas Fund Raising

Thanks to several wonderful mothers who baked Christmas cakes for our Raffle, which together with an Acorn donation for a link to the children singing meant that we were able to send £1600 to Kivukoni School in Kenya. They were absolutely thrilled, so thank you.



Dates for your diary

Half Term

Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February
End of term Tuesday 26th March 12.15 pm

Summer Term 2022

Tuesday 16th April – Thursday 11th July mid day

Half Term

Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May
Monday 6th May and Thursday 9th May Public Holidays.

Further dates on our web site



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