

Nursery Newsletter Summer 1 2025

News and Events in Nursery!

Hello and welcome back to our summer term in Preschool. We hope you all had a wonderful Easter break and enjoyed spending quality time with each other.

We certainly had a fun-filled half term, from Mother's Day stay & play to Easter bonnet madness and parades, so many beautiful memories were made. I would like to thank you all for your support with these events, it was wonderful to see you all enjoying the sunshine and music in the garden during our Easter stay & play.

This term we are looking forward to enjoying the outdoor garden and developing the space to support the children's learning.

As you may have noticed, Mr McGee has made us a fantastic car made from pallets. The children were over the moon, and we have already been on some very interesting journeys in the car!

We have been blessed with some lovely sunny weather and as the children have access to outdoors through our free flow play, please ensure your child has suncream applied before Nursery on a morning. We would suggest this is a 12-hour cream to provide coverage for the session. If your child is 30-hours and stays all day, please can you send in a bottle of suncream with them so that this can be re-applied on an afternoon.

Please can you also ensure your child has a bottle filled with water and a sunhat.

Thank you and we look forward to another fun-filled half term!

Mrs Marsh

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Reading

- As we move into the summer term, children in Mighty oaks will be starting to look at our Read, Write, Ink programme for phonics. Children will start to learn initial sounds along with their Phase one phonics for sound awareness. Information about this will be sent home to parents.
- We will be exploring lots of lovely books on minibeasts and the season of summer such as, The Hungry Caterpillar, Bumble Bear, The very Greedy bee and many more.

Writing

Children in Mighty Oaks will be practicing name writing upon entry to Nursery on a morning.

As always, we will be exploring mark making through lots of exciting stimuli and experiences.

We will be exploring both gross motor movements and fine motor skills to develop children's strength when mark making.

Maths

Children will be developing fast recognition of up to 3 objects, without having to count them individually ('subitising').

- Recite numbers past 5.
- Say one number for each item in order: 1,2,3,4,5.
- Know that the last number reached when counting a small set of objects tells you how many there are in total ('cardinal principle').
- Show 'finger numbers' up to 5.
- Compare quantities using language: 'more than', 'fewer than'.
- Link numerals and amounts: for example, showing the right number of objects to match the numeral, up to 5.

Summer
Minibeasts
Celebrations
Where is England

Physical Development

The children will continue to develop their fundamental movement skills through a programme called 'Move with Max'. We will also be preparing our children ready for sports day by practicing team athletic skills and team sports.

Understanding the World

This term children will be exploring signs of summer and minibeasts. We will also enjoy some seasonal celebrations and events and learn the importance of these.

We will as always be led by children's interests, and it excites us as to where that takes us. We will adapt our teaching to suit the needs of each child.

Expressive Art and Design

Children will use a variety of media to draw visual elements such as lines, shapes, tone and space.

We will also be exploring observational work with objects, portraits

Children will experiment drawing from memory and imagination.

We will also be exposing children to textures and different techniques for recording patterns, objects and pictures.