



Nursery Newsletter - Summer 2019

Farewell...

To all those families who will be leaving us at the end of this academic year, we send our best wishes. For those children that are starting school in September, we hope they settle in to their new routines with ease.

Please also take a look at our Nursery Webpage on:

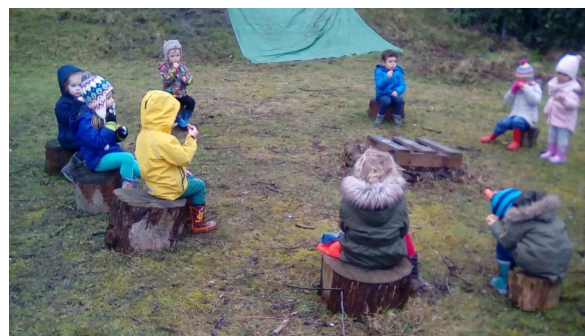
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for information on the nursery and our Policies and Procedures.

Tapestry - Most of you will now be familiar with our new children's on-line learning journal, Tapestry. Tapestry enables you to follow your child's individual progress closely and reflect upon achievements with your child. You can add comments so that we, as a nursery, find out about which activities your child really enjoyed and the learning they get up to at home. It is lovely to read your comments and observations and we welcome this collaboration throughout your child's time at nursery. We enjoy reading about your special events and celebrations and documentation of these special events can be entered by you onto Tapestry and will make a lovely reminder of special times for the children and for you. Your family events and celebrations are important to us here at the nursery.

At the end of your child's time at nursery their learning journey will be Pdf'd and then sent to you by email for you to keep (or print it out if you would like to)

 **FOREST SCHOOLS** Forest School sessions this term will be led by Nikki, Hayley and Katie. Nikki completed her Level 2 Forest School qualification last year and is enjoying putting her skills into practice and making outdoor play fun for the children.



Parents Notice Board - Please take the time to look at the information available on our Parents Notice Board in the reception area. To help us share important events in your child's life, please enter on the '**Events and Celebrations**' calendar.

Just one reminder.... British summertime! - As it is important that the children have access to the outdoors in all weathers, we would be grateful if you could provide waterproof outdoor clothes and shoes and a spare set of clothes for nursery. This is still important during our summer months as our weather continues to be changeable. In preparation for the sunny days, please can you provide your child with sun cream (Factor 15 or above) and a sun hat for your child (clearly labelled). To avoid the hottest part of the day we like to be able to take the children outdoors as soon as possible on arrival. To enable us to do this, please could you apply sun cream to your child before coming in to nursery as most state they must be applied 20 minutes before going out into the sun. (If you haven't had time to put cream on your child, just let a nursery nurse know when you come in and we will apply it)

Visit from Dental Students – Each term we have organised a visit from the College dental students who have given a presentation to the children about looking after their teeth and have tried to make teeth cleaning fun.

The children have enjoyed these workshops and we hope this will help them understand the importance of oral health throughout their lives.



Keep Fit Activity Sessions – the Sports Science students are running several activity sessions for the children this term. These have been at the College Sports hall and the students set up various activities for the children to follow, for example balancing, throwing and catching, stretching, running and jumping etc. The children have enjoyed exploring a different environment while having fun keeping fit with this gentle introduction to sport. We are hoping the students will run more of these fun sessions in the future.



May Day Celebrations – 1st May 2019

The children celebrated May day by dancing round the Maypole in the nursery garden and had lots of fun getting the ribbons knotted up!!

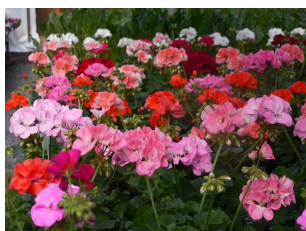




Deaf Awareness Week – 6th May 2019 – During the week we attempted to introduce the children to differences and that some people are not able to hear so we can use sign language to communicate. The baby room have been singing 'Baa Baa Black Sheep' with signs and the Farmyard and Woodland children have learnt 'Rocking all over the World'! They have had fun doing this and have hopefully gained some understanding of what sign language is.

Trips and visits this term

Our theme for the older children term is 'People who help us'. We will be having a visit from the Fire Brigade with their fire engine in the morning on **Friday 24th May** so that the children can meet the firefighters and see the fire engine close up.



During this summer term, the Farmyard and Woodland children will be visiting the College on-site greenhouse. The greenhouse is run by Curriculum Support students where they grow many types of flowers, fruit and vegetables that the children enjoy seeing. They also have a 'wormery' to make compost and this is always very popular. We also visit the pond area at the College to see the frogs.

We will also be having some further trips to visit the College Library this term. The children enjoy a story telling session with one of the college librarians and can choose a book to take back to nursery. The Woodland room children had fun dressing up for a trip to the library on World Book Day with the librarian reading a story to the children.



In May the Pheonix group at the college held a Summer fete at the college that we took some of the Nursery children to. They had outdoor games to play but the most popular thing was the bubble machine.



Laurel Lodge Care Home - Before the Easter vacation, the Woodland children visited Laurel Lodge Care home again. It is lovely that we have been able to get to know the residents and staff over the year and they look forward to our visits with the children very much.

Laurel Lodge organised an Easter egg hunt for the children and they loved searching for eggs in the garden. The children had made cards for the residents and we went around delivering these to everyone and singing Easter songs.



Some of the residents are unable to leave their rooms and so we always visit them individually with the children before we leave. We are hoping to visit again before the summer vacation.



Woodland room Parent Evenings – Monday 17th June 2019

Your child's key person will be available to discuss your child's progress in the Woodland room. A booking grid will be put up on the room door nearer to the date. Please complete your details if you would like to book a consultation.

Reminder! September 2019

Booking forms have been sent to all parents/carers by email. Please ensure you have returned your booking form to confirm your child's place for September.

Term Dates

Half Term week: - Monday 27th May 2019

End of Summer Term: – Friday 5th July 2019

Autumn Term starts: – Monday 2nd September 2019