

Ashleigh Nursery

Newsletter



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This Week

We have been finding out about all things summer whilst exploring pattern in our number work. We have talked about our experiences of the seasons throughout our time in Nursery and have explored the significant features of them. When the weather has allowed we have been continuing to practise our sport skills outside.

The children enjoyed den building and natural sculpting during this week's Forest Schools session on Monday.

Books of the Week

Tiddler

Sharing a Shell

PATHS theme: Our changing feelings, feelings around change.

Early start activity

Do pop in at the very beginning of the session next week to have a go at a early start activity or a Chilli Challenge! Chilli Challenge are graded 1/2/3 denoting the level of challenges, children then self select which one they want to attempt.

Next week

Our PATHS theme will be goals, we will be thinking about what we would like to learn, become better at and what we wish to aim for. In our topic work we will continue to think about the seasonal changes and talk about holidays and activities we might enjoy in summer. In our number work we will be focussing on problem solving.

The children have worked hard with careful listening, problem solving, noticing etc. and have earned their next 'Bug in a Jug' treat, they have decided that they would like to have a "beach party" on Monday 10th July. Children might like to wear their summer clothes to Nursery that day if they wish. We try and move the day around for the treat as we appreciate that some children do not attend every day.

Transition update

The children were utterly brilliant on Thursday and had a wonderful day exploring their new Reception environment, the children certainly made the new children who are joining us feel very welcome. We very much look forward to our continuing transition activities such as teacher swaps and story sessions. It is important that we are remaining positive at this important time so please do speak to a member of the team if you have any concerns, however small you may think they are!

Preparation for School

At the Reception meeting you will receive a parent pack which contains a booklet to look at together across the summer which has photographs of staff and the reception environment. There is also an information leaflet suggesting ways of supporting them during the summer such as sharing stories, playing instructional games, encouraging independence in dressing etc. Don't forget to complete the summer activity bag!

Home/Nursery Links

- Home activity book.
- Talk together about what your child would like to get better at over the coming weeks, months e.g. riding a bike, doing up a shoe lace, writing their name, learning letter sounds. How can they get there, what will they need to do?
- Play a game of eye spy!
- Make a collection of objects that share the same initial sound e.g. all things that begin with a 'b', or a 's'.
- The children have learnt to sound out simple words using 'robot arms' (they will show you), explore simple consonant, vowel, consonant (CVC) words e.g. cat, dog, hat, pat. If your child is not yet able to blend them together to hear the word then don't worry, just concentrate on activities that play with sounds such as sharing rhymes, stories and songs. Listen out for sounds in the environment such as outdoor/indoor/park/farm sounds.

Important Dates

Thursday 6th July – Ashleigh new Reception parents meeting 2:15-3pm in the school hall.
Monday 10th July – Nursery "beach party".
Thursday 13th July – Nursery Sports day – 9am-10am; 1pm-2pm.
Tuesday 18th July – Nursery children leavers picnic for the last hour of each session.
Friday 21st July – end of summer term.

Please remember that we are always available for a quick chat at the start or end of the session, however, if you would like a longer discussion then please let us know so that we can arrange a suitable time.

Mrs. Lacey & Mrs. Sprake