

# Ashleigh Nursery

## Newsletter



2<sup>nd</sup> February 2018

### This Week

We started a two week focus on the story “The Tiger who Came to Tea”, this has proved a very popular topic with the children who love the book and have been busy creating tigers out of play-dough and making tiger food. It has also been whole school maths week and so we have been learning about solving problems through play, it was lovely to be able to share some of this with you at our stay and play sessions.

The children loved wearing different clothes for number day on Friday – thank you for your donations and support. Please see the whole school newsletter next week for details on how much we raised.

### Next week

We will continue learning around the “Tiger who came to tea” story. We will also explore tiger facts and information using non-fiction texts and find out information about tigers using the computer. In our number work we will be practising matching and counting skills. We also hope to cook some tea time treats for the tiger next week too!

### PATHS

This week we have been learning about positive learning behaviours and the wonder of being stuck! This is where the brain is needing to work really hard and lots of learning takes place. We have talked about the different strategies that we may use when we are stuck such as trying again, changing our approach, looking at how others may have approached the task, all before asking for help. Our aim across school is to teach a positive mindset, resilience, perseverance, collaboration and to view mistakes as positive. You may like to bring in photos of where your child have been challenged when for example, learning a new skill such as riding a bike. We would love to put them on our stuck wall which teaches the children all about stickability!

### THUNK of the week

Is giving up ever a good choice?

### New door

You will have noticed that we were able to use our new door to Dragonfly room this week. From now on, all drop offs to Dragonfly room should be through the new door. If you are collecting your child after lunch please also use this door. The door is automatically locked at all times, staff members will open with a security pass at drop off and collection times.

### Drop in sessions availability

- We have one permanent space available in both the Monday and Friday morning sessions, 8.30 to 11.30am.
  - We have one lunch space available each day.
- Also, we often have spaces available in sessions due to children being on holiday or for other known absences. Children who already attend our Nursery are welcome to book an extra session on a one off basis if space is available for that day (there may be a cost involved depending on your number of funded hours).
- Please contact Monica in the school office at [nursery@ashleighprimary.net](mailto:nursery@ashleighprimary.net) for further information.

### Cardigan

A named cardigan has been taken by accident from Nursery, the cardigan had a name label attached to the size label at the collar. Please would you check at home to see if you have accidentally taken the wrong one and we can swap them over. Many thanks.

### Books of the Week

The Tiger Who Came to Tea

Riding a Bike

Wiggle and Rhyme

Here's a Little Poem

### Funding

Please make sure you check and update your 30 hours funding code regularly.  
**You need to reconfirm your eligibility every three months on the government gateway website.**

More information is available via your government gateway online account. Please ask Monica in the school office if you have any funding queries.

### **Home/Nursery Links**

Each week we will suggest some activities you could do at home with your child to support their learning in Nursery.

- Find out some Tiger facts!
- Draw or paint some tiger skin patterns at home.
- Talk about your favourite foods and what you like to eat for tea.
- Add to Tapestry or in home/school books pictures of children being “stuck” with a new challenge and how they overcame being stuck – see PATHS box above.

### **Important Dates**

- Half Term 12th -16th February
- Book week February 26<sup>th</sup> to 2<sup>nd</sup> March – further details to follow
- World book day 1<sup>st</sup> March – further details to follow

**Please also see the main school newsletter for details of school events.**

## The Nursery Team



Mrs Lacey



Mrs Sprake



Mrs Cowdry



Miss Pratt



Miss Bruce



Mrs Roberts



Mrs Sharp



Mrs Robinson

Mrs Robinson is with us in Butterfly room at morning drop off.

Mrs Cowdry also greets the children attending Breakfast sessions with us and Miss Pratt looks after the Nursery children attending after school club. They will be happy to discuss your child's Nursery day with you at drop off or pick up too.

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