

# Ashleigh Nursery

## Newsletter



20<sup>th</sup> July 2018

### This Week

The children have been thinking about how much they have developed and grown this year. We have reflected on things the children can do now that they used to find tricky and what they would like to learn next. We have read lots of stories about starting school and exploring feelings to support the children's transitions.

As we approach the end of the year we would like to say a huge thank you to all our parents and carers for your continuing and amazing support. The children have been a delight to work with, their engagement and excitement about our topics has been utterly brilliant and their progress is clear!

Thank you for supporting us in so many different ways from helping out in Nursery, donations, pet visits and bringing in ideas and artefacts from home, it has been greatly appreciated, helping us to bring the learning to life throughout the year.

We wish all the children a very happy summer holiday and a wonderful year ahead as they start their new journeys into school.

### Tapestry

Your child's Nursery Learning Journal is now available to download from the Tapestry system.

To access this, please log on to your Tapestry account, click on menu and then your name on the top right and you will see an option for "PDF downloads". From this link you should see your child's Learning Journal as a PDF file for you to download and save.

These files will be available to download for a limited time. If you are not registered on the Tapestry system please let us know and we can email or send you a copy of the Learning Journal.

Please let us know if you have any problems downloading the files or accessing your account.

### School Reports

School reports have gone home with the children this week. Please let us know if you have yet to receive one. We also welcome your comments and feedback via the slips that were enclosed in the report envelopes.

### **Lost Property & Wellingtons**

Please collect your child's wellingtons from the table outside Dragonfly room. Even if you would like your child's wellies to remain in school for Reception please take them home and bring back in September.

Today we will take any remaining lost property to the main school lost property area – under the covered area outside the doors to Reception on the main playground.

### **Word Aware**

The word of the week is curious. We have talked about what this means and the ways in which we can be curious.

We have explored other words which have a similar meaning and used these to elicit more information on a subject.

At home – what can you be curious about?

### **End of Term Picnic**

We are holding an end of term picnic to celebrate the end of the children's Nursery year.

We would love for parents, carers, grandparents, childminders to all join us. All are welcome for just one of these sessions per family. If you would like to attend and it is not your usual day then please do bring your child along.

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 10.00 – 11.00am**

On arrival please wait at the Nursery side gate and we will let you in to the Nursery garden.

Please bring a blanket and a picnic (children will also eat lunch and choose snacks at Nursery as normal on both days).

### **Drop in sessions availability**

Please contact Monica in the school office at [nursery@ashleighprimary.net](mailto:nursery@ashleighprimary.net) for further information.

### **Holiday Policy**

Due to the changes in government policy relating to Nursery funding we no longer receive payment when children are absent from Nursery due to holiday. In order to align our practice with other providers the governors have agreed a change in policy which will come into effect from the summer term 2018.

If you are planning a holiday during term time we will require a four week notice period and you will be invoiced for the hours lost.

### Home/Nursery Links

Each week we will suggest some activities you could do at home with your child to support their learning. Over the summer;

- Go on a number hunt – what numbers can you see all around you? Play the game in shops, while driving or walking. Can you “collect” all the numbers to 10?
- Can you make some “silly soup”? – grab a bowl and a spoon and collect objects beginning with the same letter that your name starts with.
- If you go somewhere different on holiday or a day out notice how far it is, how you travelled there and what the weather is like.
- Practice large and fine motor skills, can you draw circles and zig zags and stripes outside in the air, with bubbles or with water on a paintbrush.
- Look at your new school website or brochure and notice some of things you might see on your first day.
- Have lots of rest and fun so you are ready for Reception!

### Important Dates

- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 10.00–11.00am Nursery picnic
- Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 3:15pm End of Term
- **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