

Ashleigh Nursery

Newsletter



5th April 2019

This week

Thank you for joining us for the stay and play sessions this week, we hope you enjoyed them. There will be another opportunity to stay and play next half term.

This week the children enjoyed learning about Easter and why and how some people celebrate Easter this time of year.

We were also lucky to receive some frogspawn from an Ashleigh pupil this week. The children have been very excited to watch the incredible changes as the tadpoles hatched from the frogspawn and began swimming and growing.

We have been supporting the children's early writing this week by learning to draw different kinds of patterns. We were very impressed with their efforts – have a go at practicing some patterns at home.

We are so proud of all the progress the children have made this term and wish you all a happy and restful holiday.

Books of the week

Biff and Kipper books
The Snail and the Whale
The Great Egg Hunt

Word of the week

This week our word of the week was "pattern", we noticed patterns all around us and had a go at drawing different patterns. How many different kinds of patterns can you spot in your house?

After the holidays

The first week back is pet week. If you have a pet at home you could upload pictures onto Tapestry and we will share with the class.

If you have a pet that might like to visit please let Mrs Sprake know.

Behaviour outside at drop off and collection

Please carefully supervise your children and older/younger siblings during these times. Please note that ball games, bicycles or playing with Nursery equipment is not permitted. Thank you for your support with this.

Mini-professors visit

Many thanks for returning the forms this week, we will confirm places and payment after the holiday.

Summer term drop off and collection arrangements

Each year after Easter we promote children's independent skills by encouraging them to come into Nursery by themselves, to hang up their coat, put bags and water bottles away, self-register and find an activity.

Nursery adults are stationed in the cloakrooms and on the carpet areas to provide support with this as needed. At hometime the Nursery staff support the children with collecting their belongings and then we dismiss the children one by one from the main door once we have seen their named adult who will be waiting on the playground.

Every year we are amazed at how the children respond by rising to the challenge and how proud and important they feel to be doing something so grown up! We will start with the new routine from the second week back after Easter – Monday 29th April but feel free to start earlier, many parents find the children are ready for the new start after the Easter break.

Before and after school club drop offs and collections remain the same - these children will also manage their own belongings with support when they arrive and leave Nursery each day.

Reception Places – September 2019

Norfolk School Admissions will be emailing/writing to parents to confirm Reception places for September from Tuesday 16th April.

If you have any queries they can be contacted on 0344 800 8020 or admissions@norfolk.gov.uk

Nursery Lunches

	via Wisepay	via School (cash/cheque)
Nursery	£1.50	£1.80

Please pre-order lunches for week commencing Tuesday 23rd April
before midnight on Sunday 21st April 2019

If you need help with the system or your log-in details to be reissued, please contact the school office.

Lost Property

There is a lost property box in the cloakroom in Butterfly room. Unnamed lost items will be placed there at the end of each day.

We will dispose of unnamed lost property at the end of the term so please check to see if anything there is yours.

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.

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.

Drop in sessions availability

We have permanent spaces available:

Mornings: Tuesday and Wednesday

Afternoons: Monday

Lunches: Full

We sometimes have spaces available in sessions due to children's known absence. 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 for further information.

Important dates

Friday 5 th April	3:15pm Nursery closes for Easter Holidays
Tuesday 23 rd April	8:30am Nursery reopens
Monday 6 th May	Nursery closed for Bank Holiday
Friday 24 th May	3:15pm Nursery closes for half term
Monday 3 rd June	8:30am Nursery reopens
Tuesday 18 th June	Summer Trip to Thetford Forest
Wednesday 24 th July	3:15pm Nursery closes for Summer Holidays

Please also see the main school newsletter for important dates.

Tapestry

We love to see examples of your learning and progress at home on Tapestry so please do add photographs and comments.

The Nursery Team

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.