

Ashleigh Nursery

Newsletter



7th June 2019

This week

The children came back from the holiday eager to tell us all about their half term adventures, they spoke confidently and enjoyed telling their friends their news.

We have been learning about worms and other mini-beasts this week. We learnt that worms live under the soil and are good for the garden because they help to mix the soil. The children were excited to study worms closely using magnifying glasses and microscopes.

In maths we used counting and number patterns to help us add small numbers, we also compared the length of worms to find the shortest and the longest.

In phonics we listened to rhyming stories and found rhyming pairs.

On Thursday Lucy from Mini-Professors came to run our workshops. The children were absolutely enthralled and took part in lots of hands-on activities, they mixed acids and bases and enjoyed watching colour changing and fizzing reactions.

Our Butterflies emerged from their chrysalides this week, we have five painted lady butterflies. The children were fascinated to watch them dry their wings and feed from flowers. On Friday we released them into the wild.

Books of the Week

Wiggling Worms at Work
Bugs
Compost Stew

Word of the Week

This week our word of the week was “delicate”, we learnt that things can be delicate and that we need to be careful with delicate objects. We looked around the classroom for things which are delicate and those which are not delicate.

Next week

We will continue learning about worms and minibeasts.

At the end of the week we will read the story of Zog in preparation for our trip to Thetford and the Zog trail the week after.

Farmers Market

Thank you to everyone who supported the Nursery children at the farmers' market, we helped to raise lots of money for the school farm. Most importantly, the children were incredibly proud to make something that others wanted to buy and really enjoyed helping to sell the egg cups through the week.

Thetford Trip

Please make sure children arrive at Nursery at 8.30am on this day. Please drop your child at their usual classroom, if you are coming on the trip please wait on the playground while we register the children.

Please make sure your child has the following:

- A sunhat
- A thin coat or rain jacket
- Sensible shoes suitable for walking around the forest
- A packed lunch/order a school packed lunch
- A water bottle

Please apply sun cream before they arrive at Nursery. We will carry a supply of spare clothes so there is no need to bring extras.

If your child is still aged 3, they will need a car seat fitted onto the coach by a parent/carer before we are able to leave. Please do not leave car seats unattended in the playground.

When we get to Thetford we will use the toilets and have a snack (which Nursery will provide) before following the Zog trail. After the trail we will return to the main grass area for a picnic. Adults, please bring your own packed lunch.

Nursery Lunches

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

Please pre-order lunches for week commencing Monday 10th June before midnight on Sunday 9th June 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. Please check to see if anything there is yours.

Drop in sessions availability

We have permanent spaces available:

Mornings: Tuesday and Wednesday **Afternoons:** Monday

Please contact Monica in the school office at nursery@ashleighprimary.net for further information.

Nursery/Home school links

- Go on a worm hunt, look for worms in the garden at home, remember to treat them carefully and watch what they are doing to see what you can learn.
- Notice mini-beasts all around, can you see butterflies, bees, ants and ladybirds – what are they doing?
- Compare sizes, who is the tallest in your family, and who is the shortest?
- Look out for rhyming words in stories, songs and rhymes.

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

Important dates

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.

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.