

# Ashleigh Nursery

## Newsletter



6<sup>th</sup> March 2020

### This Week

Book week has been as fabulous as ever this year, the children were so excited to show us their favourite books from home and to wear their character costumes to Nursery. All week we have enjoyed learning more about books, looking at the covers to notice clues that might tell us more about the book and reading the blurb on the back to find out more. We have talked about favourite characters and what happens at the beginning, middle and end of the story. The children visited the school library and were challenged to find a book that they had never read before, we brought these back to the classrooms and had great fun reading lots of new stories. On Friday Year 5 came to see us to share some stories they had written, everyone enjoyed their visit!

We have also been reminding the children about the importance of hand washing to keep themselves healthy.

### Next Week

We move on to our Spring topic next week. We will be noticing the first signs of Spring appearing all around us (shoots, buds, new leaves, changes in the weather and light). In phonics we are challenging the children to hear rhyming words in stories and to think of words that rhyme with their name.

In maths we are working out simple problems, such as finding the total of two groups in practical activities. You can support at home by doing lots of counting and spotting numbers all around you.

### Books of the Week

The Gruffalo  
Charlie and Lola stories  
Oi Frog  
The Rainbow Fish  
Alice in Wonderland  
Farmer Duck

### Word of the Week

Our word of the week this week was "beginning", we talked about what beginning means. We noticed the beginning of the day, of lunchtime and also the beginning of books and stories. We talked about beginning something new, such as a new hobby or sport.

### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March

On March 13<sup>th</sup> the Nursery children are welcome to come to Nursery in sporty clothes for a small donation. All money raised will be split between Cancer Research UK and Sport Relief.

The Nursery children will be joining the main school and taking part in a Race for Life, in memory of Mr Christmas, who worked for many years as our school caretaker. We will challenge ourselves to run two laps of the school field and Nursery staff will run alongside them. This is a fun event and children can take part at their own pace.

Throughout the day there will be a sponsored run with all donations being raised online at the following link:

[https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/ashleigh-primary-school-and-nursery?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=mcmp&utm\\_campaign=N20LSRWE61&utm\\_content=N20LSRWE6103&utm\\_team=R4L%20Schools%20-%20IN%20-%20N20LSRWE61%20-%20Get%20Going%20Email&urn=647207304](https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/ashleigh-primary-school-and-nursery?utm_medium=email&utm_source=mcmp&utm_campaign=N20LSRWE61&utm_content=N20LSRWE6103&utm_team=R4L%20Schools%20-%20IN%20-%20N20LSRWE61%20-%20Get%20Going%20Email&urn=647207304)

We will add lots of photos to Tapestry to show you how we get on!

### 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.

### Nursery Lunches

Please pre-order lunches for week commencing Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2020 before midnight on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2020

**If you forget to order school meals before midnight on Sunday please send your child/ren with a home packed lunch that week.**

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

### **Session Availability**

We have the following permanent spaces available:

**Mornings:** Monday and Friday

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

### **Lost Property**

There is a lost property box in the cloakroom in Butterfly room. Unnamed and lost items will be placed in this box at the end of each day. Please check to see if anything there is yours.

### **Nursery/Home School Links**

- Can you recognise numbers to 5 or 10 all around you?
- When you read a story at home, ask your child questions such as "I wonder what might happen next?" or "how did the story end?"
- Notice signs of Spring when you are walking to school or at the park. Can you find any signs of Spring in your garden at home?
- Can you spot flowers such as daffodils and crocuses?
- We are beginning to learn about rhyme. When you are reading stories at home can you spot words that rhyme?  
Can you think of a word that rhymes with your name?

**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.

Mrs. Sprake