

Ashleigh Nursery

Newsletter



16th April 2021

This week

We hope you all had a restful break, it was lovely to see how settled and happy the children were on their return to Nursery this week.

This week was pet week. We met Gina the tortoise, Mia and Emma the guinea pigs, Simba the School rabbit and Mrs Howard shared photos of her pets; Daisy & Barney the dogs, Tinky the cat and Bumble the hamster. We learnt that pets need food, water, care, love and exercise to stay healthy. We learnt what Vets do to keep animals healthy and the children are excited to act out their learning in our new Vets role play corner.

Thank you for all the photographs of your pets at home on Tapestry, we have really enjoyed seeing these and it really helped the topic to come to life.

This week we have practiced being really good listeners and having the confidence in talk in a larger group.

In maths we have been practicing counting out objects from a larger group, up to 10 objects.

Word of the week

We will begin word of the week again next week, watch this space for the word each week.

Books of the Week

I am a Vet
Pet Kitten
Alfie and the Birthday Surprise
There's a snake in my school
Dogs
Non-fiction pet books

Next week

We will continue the animal theme by basing our learning around animal stories. We will be creating our own "lift the flap" pages just like "Dear Zoo" and will be learning lots of early reading skills.

In maths we will introduce the children to estimating – having a sensible guess about how many people are here today, how many cubes I'm holding, how many packed lunches there are etc. We will then count to check if we were right.

In phonics we have been "robot talking" words such as "peg" and "cup", splitting words up into their sounds and saying these one at a time – a bit like a robot; p-e-g. This supports early segmenting and blending skills, as children begin to read and write.

September 2021 Admissions into Nursery

Do you know any children born between 1st September 2017 and 31st August 2018? They are eligible for a place at our Nursery from September 2021. Please share our contact details and we can start the admission process, thank you.

Lost Property

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

Nursery/Home school links

- Talk to your child about independence, what can they do by themselves now that they couldn't before?
- Have you ever been to a zoo or a farm? Talk about what kind of animals you saw.
- Paint or collage us a picture of your favourite animal.
- Do you have a favourite animal story at home you could share with us?

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Please also see the main school newsletter for important dates.