

Ashleigh Nursery

Newsletter



30th April 2021

This week

This week has been art week in Nursery. Each day we looked at the work of a different artist to see what we noticed, in particular looking for shape/colour and lines. The children really liked exploring the different pictures and were very discerning art critics. We also explored different art materials and techniques to make art of our own. The artists we looked at were **Van Gogh** (*Sunflowers*), **Picasso** (*Seated Woman and Woman in Hat and Fur Collar*) **Kandinsky** (*Squares with Concentric Circles*), **Lowry** (*Good Friday, Daisy Nook and VE Day*) and finally **Seurat** (*A Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte*).

Word of the week

Our word of the week was **print**. We learnt what printing is and what kind of things we can make a print with (handprint, footprint and recycled materials). Can you make a print at home?

Favourite books this week

Wow! Said the Owl
The Day the Crayons Quit
Mix It Up
Katie and the sunflowers
The Smeds and the Smoos
Here We Are – Notes for Living on Planet Earth

Next week

We now begin a longer topic studying mini-beasts and lifecycles. Next week we will focus on ladybirds. Ladybirds are great for pattern and maths! We will play lots of number and problem solving games to practise our early maths skills. We will also look at simple non-fiction texts to find out ladybird facts and enjoy some ladybird stories too.

Lost property

We have quite a collection of lost property, please ask if you think you may have lost something at Nursery. We will also put the boxes outside at collection time for you to have a look.

Sunny weather

We are all very pleased the weather has finally become warmer and we can enjoy the outside areas even more! We are outside much of the day at Nursery so please make sure your child has a sun hat if needed and sun cream applied **before** Nursery.

Extra sessions

We currently have some space for our existing children to increase hours if they wish to do so in the run up to starting school. Spaces available are:

8.30 am to 11.30 am: Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday/Friday

11.30 am to 12.15 pm: Thursday/Friday

12.15 pm to 3.15 pm: Fully booked

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

Nursery/Home school links

- Have a go at potato printing at home, cut a potato in half, dip in some paint and make prints!
 - Choose some household items to print with – what kind of shapes do you get?
 - Notice art at home, do you have a favourite picture or painting?
- Make a piece of art and bring it in for our home art wall, we would love to receive them!

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

Please also see the main school newsletter for important dates.