

Ashleigh Nursery

Newsletter



11th June 2021

This week

We hope you all had a lovely half term week and enjoyed the good weather! Our caterpillars were at home with Mrs Eggett over the holiday and we noticed some big changes on our return! Four of the caterpillars had formed chrysalides, the last caterpillar is still eating and getting bigger. The children have been fascinated to watch this process and hopefully we will see the butterflies emerge next week.

We returned to listening games this week, and were so impressed with how the children are now confident at listening carefully and describing sounds. Developing a comfortable way to hold a pen or pencil is a focus for the summer term. The children have been recognising and writing their names, starting with finding the first letter. In maths we have focussed on pattern and shape.

Word of the week

The word of the week was “symmetrical”. The children had great fun making patterns and playing matching games to learn about “symmetrical”. See if you can use the word at home, look out for simple symmetrical patterns or shapes.

Favourite books this week

- Monkey Puzzle
- Peace at last
- Life Cycles - Caterpillar to Butterfly
- First book of mini beasts

Next week

We will be learning about where we live! It is often a surprise to the class that most of us live in Wymondham or nearby, they enjoy finding where they live on a simple map and recognising familiar places. We also have a large world map on our classroom wall, the children have become increasingly interested in what this shows and where we are in the world. We will be posting more about this learning on seesaw next week

Hot weather

Please make sure the children have a **water bottle and hat** and arrive at Nursery with **sunscreen applied** as needed during the very hot weather. We are lucky to have a very shaded garden where the children can play and we always carefully monitor how long they spend in the sun. We are also building in extra time for drink breaks. Please talk to your child about how to keep safe and stay feeling cool in hot weather.

Transition to Reception classes

We know you will be receiving transition information from Reception classes, if your child needs time off to attend transition sessions, this is fine, but please let us know on nursery@ashleighprimary.net, so that we can update our registers. If you have any concerns about your child's transition to their Reception classes please speak to Mrs Sprake or Mrs Roberts, we will be happy to chat!

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 only

12.15 pm to 3.15 pm: Fully booked all week

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

Nursery/Home school links

- Can you use this game on topmarks to practise spotting symmetry?
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/symmetry/symmetry-matching>
- Can you write your name or other familiar words? Take a photo and add it to seesaw to show us!
- Can you explain a butterfly's lifecycle to someone at home?
- Can you talk about where you live? What is your house name or number, what is your street called and how do you get to Nursery from where you live?

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.