

# Nursery

# NEWSLETTER

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024



PROUD TO BE, PROUD TO BELONG



## Dear Parents,

Recently, the children have been learning how to recognise and write their name. In the Nursery, the children have been tracing their name in sand and some children are trying to write their name independently. We would be grateful if you could help your child practise writing their name over the half term holiday. You could write your child's name with a highlighter and encourage them to trace over their name a few times and they can then have a go at writing it independently underneath.

**Please help your child to learn to hold a pencil with a comfortable grip.**

Only the first letter in your child's name should be a capital letter.



### Toilet Training

Many of the Nursery children are still being toilet trained and are coming to Nursery wearing a pull up. Over the half term holiday, please take the time to continue toilet training your child.

### Nursery Rhymes

This half term, we have been listening to and singing nursery rhymes from the website: [Nursery Rhymes and Songs - BBC Teach](#). Please sing rhymes with your child at home and help them to learn all of the words to their favourite nursery rhymes.



### Polite Reminder

There are a number of children who have been consistently coming in late for their Nursery session. Please ensure that you bring your child to the Nursery at the start of their session. Children that are consistently late miss out on learning and routines that happen at the beginning of their session.

**AM Nursery: 8.30am**  
**PM Nursery: 12.30pm**  
**FT Nursery: 9.00am**



## Phonics

We will begin to teach phonics in the Nursery after the half term break. The children will be learning one **letter name** and **sound** each week. At the end of the week the children will be bringing home an activity sheet linked to the letter name and sound that they have been learning during the week. You can help us to reinforce your child's knowledge of the **letter names and sounds** by completing the activity sheet at home with your child. You could also encourage your child to find things around the house beginning with the letter name/sound that we are learning each week. It would be lovely if your child could bring in something beginning with the sound that we are learning each week for our phonics table.

### **After the half term break, we will be learning:**

#### **Personal, Social and Emotional Development:**

- To take turns when playing circle time games.

#### **Communication & Language:**

- To talk about what we did during the half term break.

#### **Literacy:**

- The letter and sound 's', for example, **s**nake, **s**nail, **s**ock. At home, you could play a game of 'I spy something beginning with s' with your child. Please bring in something beginning with 's' to share with the class.

#### **Mathematics:**

- To represent numbers using our fingers. An example is shown in the photograph at the side.



#### **Physical Development:**

- To hold a pencil with a comfortable grip.



- To put on our own coat by ourselves. At home, you could place your child's coat on the floor and ask your child to sit down and place their arms inside the sleeves before standing up.

### Expressive Arts & Design:

- The nursery rhyme that we will be learning this week is 'Humpty Dumpty'. Please help your child to learn this rhyme at home. Here is a link to this song: [Humpty Dumpty featuring the Super Simple Puppets | Kids Songs | Super Simple Songs - YouTube](#)

### Notice:

We are collecting junk modelling materials. Please bring in clean yoghurt pots, cereal boxes and kitchen roll tubes.

We are also in need of carrier bags.

Please bring in something from home beginning with the letter/sound 's', for example, **s**poon, toys such as a **s**nailed, **s**pider, **s**nake, **s**ock, **s**traw, **s**unglasses etc.

### Reminders:

The Full Time children must bring in their water bottle for the classroom every Monday. Water bottles are sent home every Friday so that they can be cleaned.

**We would like to wish all the families that celebrate a very Happy Diwali and New Year.**

**We break up on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October  
We return to school on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November**

**We hope that you all have a happy and restful half term break.**