



EYFS News

Friday 11th September 2020



What have we been up to this week?

What a fantastic start to the term we have had in EYFS! It has been lovely to get to know the children throughout the transition sessions over the last week and a half, and we are looking forward to starting our full timetable next week. Our usual sessions are as follows:

Morning Nursery Session – 9:00am – 12noon

Afternoon Nursery Session – 12:15pm – 3:15pm

Reception and 30 Hours Nursery – 9:00am – 3:15pm

In Nursery, our new starters have been familiarising themselves with both our indoor and outdoor classroom environments and routines. We would like to say a big thank you to our older Nursery children for being superb role models and helping their new friends to settle in! We have been sharing stories, singing nursery rhymes and having lots and lots of fun!

In Reception this week we have been working hard! We have been completing lots of phonics and maths challenges, and practising writing our names! We also painted some self-portraits, using a mirror to check the colour of our eyes and hair, and our other features. We also stayed for our lunch this week!

It is safe to say that we have all had a fantastic week and cannot wait to start our normal timetable next week!

PHONICS

NURSERY

Next week, Nursery we will be starting the 'BLAST' Programme. BLAST is 'Boosting Language Auditory Skills and Talking' and works on the underpinning skills for language, communication and literacy – turn taking, discrimination, listening, attention and social communication as well as developing basic language skills. This programme lasts for six weeks and is delivered in order to prepare the children to begin Phase One of the Letters and Sounds programme.

One of the core activities in BLAST focuses on 'environmental sounds'. This is where the children have to listen carefully to sounds and identify what they can hear, e.g. a bus, cat, aeroplane, etc. In preparation for this, you could go on a 'sound hunt' at home and see what sounds you can hear in your house! You could record what you find on Tapestry!

RECEPTION

Over the next few weeks, we will be consolidating our understanding of 'Phase One' of the Letters and Sounds programme. This phase has various aspects, including environmental sounds, alliteration, oral blending and rhyming.

Over the weekend, you could see what things you can find at home that rhyme! An example could be a 'jug', 'rug' and a 'mug'. We would love to see what you find on Tapestry!

MATHS

NURSERY

Next week we will begin our maths topic for this half term which focuses on 'colour'. Why don't you see what different colours you can find at home? You could record what you find on Tapestry!

RECEPTION

This half term we will be focussing on consolidating our understanding of numbers 1-5. You could practise counting amounts up to 5 and see if you can spot any numbers in the environment.

READING BOOKS

Today Reception will be bringing home a school reading book. We would appreciate if you could read your child's book with them over the next week and return it by next Wednesday. This will allow us time to ensure that books are fully cleaned, ready to go out again on Friday. Any books returned after Wednesday will not be changed. Also, please sign your child's reading record to confirm that they have read their book at home as they will be not changed if the record is not signed. Nursery will bring a book home starting next Friday.



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