



Nursery Newsletter

Days to remember: Wednesday (reading books due back)

We will send home **reading books** for you and your child to enjoy together every Friday. Please take time to use the texts to extend your child's learning at home. When you are looking at the books together, your child is learning listening skills, vocabulary, concentration, conversation skills, and above all enjoying precious time with you.



Learning to love, loving to learn

Summer 1 2024

Class Teacher: Miss Bea
TA: Mrs Jeanett, Mrs Carole

Value of the Month



April: Perseverance
May: Democracy

Please discuss these values with your child, identifying acts that represent them.

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you've all had a wonderful and restful Easter Holidays. The children are all looking refreshed and ready for this term's exciting new learning opportunities. This term, we will be focusing on the theme of minibeasts and introducing some exciting practical life experiences such as hatching some chicks and watching the changes a caterpillar goes through before turning into a butterfly. Throughout the topic of minibeasts we will be focusing on exploring the lifecycles of plants and butterflies through reading and discussing 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. We will also be exploring changes that we ourselves have experienced throughout our lifetime from the time we were babies to now. Please do encourage your child to discuss and express what they observe around them and how they feel they've grown and changed.

Dates for the diary

Thu April	25 th	Mass at St Thomas a Becket
Fri April	26 th	Tennis taster day
Fri 3 rd May		Latin Story telling
Mon May	13 th	Start of SATS week
Mon May	27 th	Half Term

Literacy

In nursery our theme for this term is 'minibeasts' which we will explore through reading the story of 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. We will be learning to sequence, retell and act out parts of the story to our friends and grownups using words and actions.

We will also be drawing our favourite parts from the story and labelling our pictures with initial sounds/words.

In phonics we will begin to learn and practice our phase 1 sounds and introduce reading and writing cvc words.

Maths

In Maths this term we will be focusing on describing a sequence of events in order using mathematical language such as first, next, then.

We will be introducing positional language such as on, under, in, out, in front and behind to describe where something is. We will be comparing groups of objects and discussing which one has more and which one has less as well as matching the quantity of a group to its numeral.

We will continue to develop our knowledge and understanding of the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

Class trip:

Police visit (TBC)

In RE this term we will be learning about 'New Life' and how Jesus resurrected from the dead. Our main focus will be on the readings and teachings of the Easter Story.

We will also discuss and develop an understanding of how events such as the last supper have made an impact into the catholic faith's believes of the importance of Sunday and attending mass.

Learning Challenge

As part of our learning challenge, we will be learning and investigating the following questions. Please feel free to discuss these with your children at home.

1. Why do spiders need a web?
2. Where did the butterfly come from?
3. Does a worm have legs?
4. Why does a snail carry its house around?
5. Why does a ladybird have spots?
6. Do minibeasts have a birthday?