

Nursery Newsletter

Weekly Round-Up Autumn 2 Week 4

What have we been up to?

This week we have continued our work on Nursery Rhymes. Our work has continued to focus around the well-known rhyme - Humpty Dumpty.

We have enjoyed carrying out some more exciting science experiments. This week, we investigated which material would best protect Humpty Dumpty when he fell from the wall - cotton wool, blue roll or bubble wrap. The children made some fantastic predictions about which material would be best. We found out that bubble wrap was the best material to save Humpty's egg shell from cracking due the air pockets making him bounce! The children have also been designing and making objects to protect Humpty if he fell from the wall e.g. trampolines, beds and blankets, please see their wonderful creations on see-saw. The children have also been very busy building walls in our construction area and using a variety of construction tools and materials to see who could build the tallest wall.

In phonics, we have been reading a Floppy Phonics book called 'At the Park'. We have been listening to all the noises we may hear in the park and the children have been using their voices to recreate the sounds and making up ones of their own.

Phonics



Maths

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In maths this week, we have been learning the mathematical vocabulary of 'more' and 'fewer'. The children have enjoyed taking part in many activities where they had to compare groups of objects. Earlier in the week, we enjoyed visiting the Willow Garden where we compared various objects and discusses Which group had more? Which group had the fewest? The children were fabulous at using this new vocabulary. Well done everyone!

The winter weather has officially landed! This is a tricky time for us, as we're sure you'll understand, because all children come into school with hats and gloves. Please can we ask that all hats and gloves etc are clearly labelled. If they are lost or taken home by someone else, we have no way of finding them if they have no names. Many thanks for everyone who has already provided mittens instead of finger gloves. They are much quicker and easier for the children to put on themselves and encourage the children's independent skills.



Upcoming...



Willow Visit

Weather permitting, we are off to our Willow Garden again at the beginning of next week to complete a maths activity. I am expecting it to be rather muddy, due all this week's rain so please ensure your child has a suitable, waterproof coat to wear on the dates outlined below. Thanks!

AM Nursery - Monday 24th Nov

PM Nursery - Tuesday 25th Nov

Home-school books to share

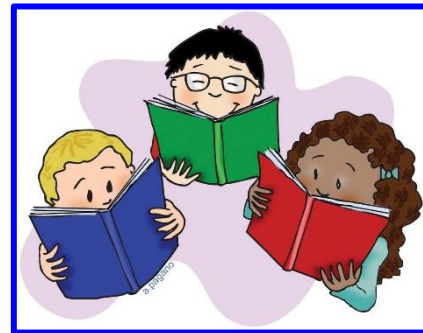
This Friday, your child will be bringing home their first home/school reading story. It is a book they have picked themselves from our nursery library. If possible, please spend 5-10 minutes sharing the story together.

It might be an idea to ask them to hold the book as you read. Discuss which way do we hold it? How many pages do we turn at a time? You could point out where the writing begins and track your finger along as you read. Some ideas for discussion - Can you find me the page that you liked best?

Who is your favourite character? Why? Which is your favourite picture? I wonder if.... I wonder what would happen if.....?

If you would like to, please share some of the stories you read on See-Saw.

Please also return your book by Wednesday in the clear plastic folder so we can get it changed, ready for a new one next week. Your child will only receive a new book once the previous one has been returned.



Tuesday 2nd December - AM Nursery trip to Cullercoats Library to read Christmas stories.

(9.30am - 10.30am)

Friday 5th December - PM Nursery trip to Cullercoats Library to read Christmas stories.

(2.00pm- 3.00pm)

For this trip to go ahead, we must fulfil our adult to children ratio. Ideally, we would like 1:1 support to accompany our youngest children out of school for the very first time. If you are able to help or know anyone - Grandparent, auntie, uncles etc. that could support your child on the day of their visit, we would greatly appreciate as much help as possible. Please sign up via the school gateway. Many thanks.



Christmas celebrations

Please come and join us in nursery on Friday 12th December for a festive themed stay and play. You will have the opportunity to play alongside your child and see all the exciting things we get up to. Please can we ask that you attend at the time your child is in their nursery session and confirm your attendance on the Schoolgateway.

AM Nursery - 10.15am- 11.30am

PM Nursery 2.00pm -3.15pm

On this day, children can come to school wearing non-uniform with a donation of a bottle or chocolates for our tombola after school.

Tuesday 16th December - Nursery Christmas Party Day - more details to follow.

Friday 19th December - Festive non-school uniform day.



Thanks for the support as always,
Mrs Harris, Mrs Watt and the Nursery Team.

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