

School News

This week it has been lovely to welcome all of the children back to Nursery. They have all settled straight back in and enjoyed getting back into routine. We have a very exciting Summer Term planned with lots of exciting activities. On Thursday we were lucky to have a parent helper come in and talk to the children about EID. We discussed how EID is celebrated in relation to other celebrations and the sense of belonging.



Message from Federation Leaders



GEMMA

Welcome to the summer term! We have lots planned this term; outings into the community, cooking and some visits from a musical group called Electric Umbrella! More about them on the next page... Today you will find a link to a recorded presentation with information on how to support maths in the home! Please watch over the weekend ready for resources to be given out to your child next week. Happy viewing!



HAYLEY

Curriculum – Why we do what we do – Counting & Number!

What we do at school:

In the Early Years developing children's understanding of counting and numbers lays the foundation for more complex mathematical concepts at a later point. It is very easy to rush forward with counting and numbers but there are so many more skills that come first!

Subitise! Subitising is the ability to instantly recognise the number of objects in a small group without counting them individually. We teach this through activities using dice or small numbers of objects!

Counting: We model and rehearse counting small numbers of objects like blocks or dinosaurs, later progressing to counting larger numbers of objects.

Number Sequence: Reciting numbers in the correct order, both forwards and backwards, helps our children to understand the numerical order and the relationship between numbers.

We introduce these concepts by seizing opportunities naturally during play or through activities such as singing number rhymes. By providing carefully planned sessions in a stimulating environment we support our children to build a strong foundation in counting and numbers!



What you can do at home:

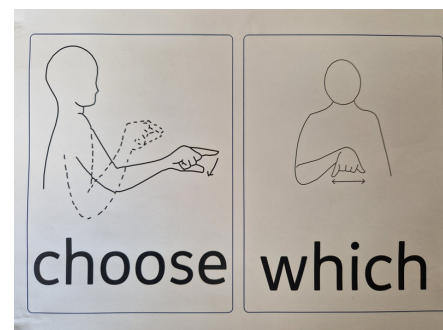
- Sing number rhymes with your child using either your fingers or resources to represent the objects in the rhyme
- Take every opportunity to count; climbing up stairs or counting out toys.

Sign of the Week

At the Nursery we teach all children to sign. This supports communication and ensures the communication of all children is valued.

This week's sign is: "Choose and Which"

Ask any staff member to show you if you are unsure.



Reminders / Information

ELECTRIC UMBRELLA

We are delighted to now have the dates to share when we will be hosting 'Electric Umbrella.' The musicians, including some learning disabled performers, will be performing a series of four interactive music sessions for our children. We are delighted to invest in such an amazing company and promote neuro diverse representation in the community.



SECRET STORY TELLER

This term we are looking forward to launching "Secret Story Teller". Whereby you pick a book from home and without your child knowing come in and share the book with their key group. Secret Story Tellers can be parents/carers/grandparents/older siblings etc.

The children were enthralled by all the parent volunteers who came in to read during our World Book Week it would be lovely to continue this with the element of surprise. There will be a sign up sheet available next week on the table outside the gate.

HEALTH CARE PLAN

If you were provided with a copy of your child's Health Care Plan at the end of last term. Please review and return to us as soon as possible (including any outstanding medication). It is very important that we have the most up to date information and medication on site every day for your child.

DATES;

- May Bank Holiday - Monday 6th May (Nursery closed)
- May Half Term - Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May.
- Electric Umbrella visiting 1.45pm-2.30pm on 28th June, 5th July, 12th July and 18th July



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