



## EYFS Summer term 1 Newsletter 2021

Dear Parents/ Carers,  
Welcome back!

We hope you have had a lovely Easter Break.

This term we are focussing on knowledge and understanding of the world and we are reading Jack and the Beanstalk and planting beans peas and sunflowers. We have tasted vegetables and made a graph of our favourites (corn) and our least favourites (cabbage.) In Nursery we are practising holding a pencil correctly to write our names and we are learning how to use scissors, hole punchers, staplers and how to tap in nails with a hammer to develop finger control necessary for writing. We will be colour mixing and practising all aspects of counting. The Reception children have been busy writing to the Giant from the story of Jack and the Beanstalk and we are really focussing on writing this term so we will be practising letter formation every day. For the next few weeks we will be talking about minibeasts and studying the lifecycle of a butterfly. We'll be reading the story of The very Hungry Caterpillar and studying ladybirds spiders and snails. In Maths we are practising our recall of number bonds to five and ten including doubles. We have been comparing and measuring our height.

### Things to bring to school

1. **Book bags** – Please bring your book bag containing your child's planner every day. We will send home two reading books a week with the children who are able to read and two story books for parents to read to their child.
2. **A named water bottle** – .  
Please can these contain water only. Dental health is part of our new Early Years curriculum and drinking juice or squash is discouraged except at meal times.
3. **A change of clothes** – Please provide a bag with a change of named clothes to stay in school on your child's coat peg.
4. **A named bag for life** to be brought in every day to take home any paintings and models.
5. **In cold weather** – A warm and waterproof coat, hat and gloves all clearly named please.
6. **In warm weather-** Please bring a named sunhat. Sun cream should be applied at home.

### Pocket toys

Toys can easily get lost or damaged at school, especially small pocket toys. To avoid upset, personal toys are best left to be enjoyed at home. Please can pots of lip salve or lotion be left at home also.

## **Snack time**



We use snack as an adult led teaching activity where we prepare fruit and vegetables with the children and count out pieces into our snack bowls. We usually have bread sticks, crackers, raisins and either bananas, apples, pears, carrots, tomatoes, or oranges on offer. As the weather gets colder we will also be making toast with the children at snack time. Any additional snacks of a healthy nature (no crisps, chocolate or sweets please) may be brought from home. Please name any snacks brought in from home.



## **Parent meetings**

We've started our summer cycle of parent teacher meetings. We will focus on approximately three children per week. The week before your child is a focus child we will ask you to complete some information and then the following week we will telephone you to discuss your child's learning.

Please let me know if you have any questions!

Best wishes,

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