

Summer Term

April 2024



# Nursery Parents' Newsletter

Welcome back from all the Nursery staff. We hope you all had a fantastic, fun filled Easter and here's to a super summer term in Nursery.

This newsletter will give you more information about what is going on in the classroom and what the children will be learning.

Our topic is 'Land Ahoy' which will be taught through our Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum, including the following areas of learning: Religious Education; Communication and Language; Physical Development; Personal, Social and Emotional Development; Literacy; Mathematics; Understanding the World and Expressive Arts and Design. Here are just some of the activities that the children will be involved in during this term. In some cases, the activities will be guided by the children's interests.

## Communication & Literacy:

Following Verbal Instructions.

Experimenting with mark making- letter and number formations- Be able to write their names, label pictures or write captions

Role play areas- Pirate Ship, Kitchen and Island

Write most of their name independently

Learn New Topic Related Vocab words.

Role play- Pirates/ Sea creatures

Maintains attention, concentrates and sits quietly during an activity. Can listen and do for a short span.

Topic specific vocabulary:

Pirates, treasure, adventure, walk the plank, fish, shell, aquarium, ocean, crab, anchor, octopus, submarine, diver

## RE:

Easter  
Other faiths

## Expressive Arts and Design:

Create pirate flags/ ships

Making a treasure chest

Create boats using different materials

Under the sea crafts- different sea creatures

Pirate portraits

Creating telescopes

## Days to remember:

Music and Movement on **Mondays** (no jewellery to be worn)

PE on **Wednesday** (no jewellery to be worn)



## Staff in Nursery

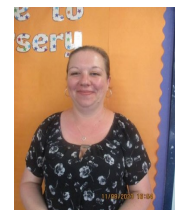
Mrs Griffiths



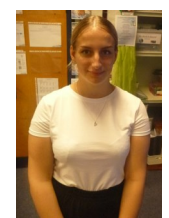
Mrs Miceli  
Early Years Practitioner



Miss Harrison  
Teaching Assistant



Miss Jones  
Apprentice



## PSE:

Confident to speak to others and asks appropriate questions of others.

Understands that actions affect others

Ten: Ten



## Physical Development

Health and Self hygiene

Developing fine & gross motor skills

Dough Disco

Dances to pirate/ sea creatures rhymes

PE Units- Pirates, Sea Crea-

## Mathematics:

More than/ fewer than

One more

One less

Shape 2d

Shape 3d

Describe a sequence of events using words 'First, then'.

Number composition- 1-5 revision

Night & Day

Order events in their day at nursery

## Understanding the World:

Drawing & labelling Pirate pictures and Treasure maps

Explore Pirate Characteristics

Use of ICT control simple robots around a Treasure maps to find the X marks the spot

Seasonal activities—Summer

Investigate floating and sinking with pirate ships

Summer- Where do we go on holiday? How do we keep safe in the sun? Explore the season of summer and the characteristics of the season.

## What can you do at home?.

- Encourage your child to be as independent as possible, allow them to carry out small tasks around the house, put their own coat on and use a knife and fork.
- Complete their weekly homework tasks
- Practice writing their names
- Talk to your children about the different creatures they might find in the ocean to enrich our topic of 'Land Ahoy'
- Read books and visit the library together so the children will develop an interest in reading.
- Number recognition and forming numbers together, counting objects and naming 2d and 3d shapes.
- Cook and bake together
- Make crafts at home together, we would love to see them
- Additional activities provided on weekly newsletter



Class Author

'Eric Carle-

We have been reading lots of books throughout the year by this author and completing activities linked to his stories. It would be great if you could share some of these stories together at home. You can find a lot of stories on You tube.

Eric's Stories are fabulous for children to recall his repeated reframes, encourage your child to join in with them also.

## **The Secret Storyteller**

Don't forget about our Secret Story teller.  
Book in with Mrs Griffiths or Mrs Miceli for any day or time.

The children will love the surprise.



Just a reminder.....

- PE kit is a blue polo shirt, maroon shorts or navy blue tracksuit bottoms and black pumps, this can be kept on the children's pegs.
- All items of clothing to be labelled with children's names please.
- No jewellery to be worn on PE & music and movement days.

**Thank you**



## **It would be fantastic if you could send in...**

- \* A bag that can be kept on your child's peg that contains a change of uniform, and spare socks/ tights and pants.
- \* A rain coat and wellingtons that can be kept on your child's peg for rainy and windy days- children always have access to outside.
- \* Yoghurt pots that we can use for paint, glue and all things creative!

Thank you



## **Question or Queries.**

If you have any question or queries don't hesitate to contact me for an informal chat or you can make an appointment to see me at the school office. We all want the children to have a very productive, enjoyable year and the best way to ensure this is to nip any 'small' problems in the bud before they become 'big' problems.

Thank you  
Nursery Staff